

Michigan Congregational Conference

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Seventy-third Annual Meeting
1914**

Michigan Home Missionary Society

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An Act for the Organization of Corporate Congregational Churches

Act 53, Public Acts of Michigan, 1901, as amended by Act 84, Public Acts, 1905, and Act 298 of Public Acts of 1913

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

SECTION 1. Sections one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine and ten of act number fifty-three of the Public Acts of nineteen hundred one, entitled "An act for the organization of corporate Congregational churches," as amended by act number eighty-four of the Public Acts of nineteen hundred five, are hereby amended to read as follows:

SEC. 1. It shall be lawful for any number of persons of full age, not less than five, who may desire to form themselves into a Congregational church, to adopt, execute and acknowledge before any person authorized to take acknowledgment of deeds, articles of association, in writing, whereby they shall agree to organize a church, according to the faith and usages of the churches commonly called Congregational, under the name and style set forth in said articles, which shall contain the following items:

First. The name of said church;

Second. The township, village or city, and the county in which said church shall be located;

Third. An agreement to worship and labor together as a church according to the faith and usages of the churches commonly called Congregational.

SEC. 2. The persons signing said articles may, at the same time, elect by ballot, or may designate some other time and place for so electing, not less than three nor more than twelve trustees, a majority of whom shall be members of said church, to serve until their successors shall be elected. One-third of said trustees as near as may be shall, at the first election, be chosen for three years, one-third for two years, and one-third for one year, but thereafter, except to fill vacancies, they shall be chosen for three years, of which election a full record shall be made, and a certified copy of such record, signed by the presiding officer and secretary of the meeting at which said election is held, together with said articles of association, shall be recorded by the clerk of the county in which such church or place of worship is or shall be located, in a book by him provided for that purpose, and such clerk shall be entitled to a fee of ten cents per folio for recording the same. When said articles of association and the certificate of election of said trustees shall have been so filed for record, the persons who shall have signed said articles, together with those who shall thereafter become members of said church, and, if the articles of association so provide, those persons being of legal age, who are, and those who shall become regular contributors to the support of said church, shall become and be a body corporate under the name and style adopted in said articles, which name shall conform to the following form, namely: The (insert name or number) Congregational church of (insert name of place of location).

SEC. 3. It shall be lawful for said corporation at any regular or called meeting of its members, due notice having been given as hereinafter provided, by a two-thirds majority of the ballots cast at such meeting, to amend its articles of association in any manner not inconsistent with the provisions of this act, and such amendment shall become operative when a copy of the same, duly certified by the presiding officer and clerk of such meeting, and acknowledged before any person authorized to take acknowledgment of deeds, shall be filed with the clerk of the county for record.

SEC. 4. At all meetings of said corporations, subsequent to the first, right to vote upon questions involving the acquirement and disposition of property and the expenditure of money shall be confined to adult members of the church so incorporated, and, if the articles of association so provide, those persons being of legal age, who are regular contributors to its support: Provided, That if said church shall have suspended worship, the right to vote shall be determined as of the date of such suspension.

SEC. 5. Notice of meetings of said corporation, specifying the time, place, and object thereof, shall be read from the pulpit on the two successive Sundays preceding such meeting on which services shall be held: Provided, however, That in case it is proposed to amend the articles of association, the proposed amendment, together with a notice of the meeting called for its consideration, shall be read from the pulpit on the three successive Sundays, immediately preceding such meeting on which services shall be held; and the proposed amendment shall not itself be amended, in any material point, in the meeting so called for its consideration: And provided further, That if there should be no public services at which the notice herein required may be given, said notice may be posted on the church door or published in the town, city or county newspaper whose circulation among the members is greatest, for three weeks preceding such meeting, specifying the time and place and object thereof.

SEC. 6. In the management of the secular affairs of the church so incorporated and of the business of said corporation, but subject always to its direction and control, the board of trustees thereof shall have and exercise all such powers of the board of directors of a business corporation as are appropriate to the purposes and business of a religious corporation: Provided, however, That said board of trustees shall not choose, call, settle or dismiss a pastor or fix his salary, or buy, sell, convey or incumber real estate or any right thereto or interest therein, unless instructed so to do by said corporation at a regularly called meeting: And provided further, That members of the board of trustees and such other officers as may be provided for in the articles of association shall be elected by ballot at a regularly called meeting of those entitled to vote under the articles of association.

SEC. 7. Such corporation may have a seal and alter the same at will. It may, in its corporate name, sue and be sued in all courts of competent jurisdiction. Subject to the provisions of this act it shall have power to choose, call and settle a pastor and fix his salary; to elect trustees, treasurer and clerk and such other officers as may be provided for in its articles of association; to direct and control their actions; to acquire, hold, manage, control, sell and convey property both real and personal; to hold and recover all debts, damages, rights, privileges and all property, real, personal or mixed of what-

soever nature they or it may be and in whosoever hands held, belonging or appertaining to said church or to the religious organization out of which it is incorporated or reincorporated the same as if the right and title to said property had originally been vested in said corporation. It may hold so much real estate as may be needed for the purpose of church building, parsonage and cemetery purposes and of any so-called institutional activities; it may also hold for a period not exceeding ten years, such real estate as may be conveyed or devised to it even though the same be not needed for the purposes above mentioned or be actually occupied by it in the exercise of its franchises: Provided, however, That all property of said corporation whether real, personal or mixed or whether held in fee or in trust and the income therefrom and the proceeds thereof when sold shall, subject to the terms of any trust or trusts relating thereto or to any part thereof, be held and used by said corporation for the benefit of said church as a Congregational religious organization, and for no other purpose whatsoever, except as provided in section eight of this act. Said corporation may and shall hold in perpetuity as a permanent fund all property given, bequeathed or devised to it or acquired by it for the purpose of an endowment, the income from which fund, subject to the terms of any specific trust or trusts relating thereto, or to any particular part thereof, may be used for any lawful purposes of said church or corporation: Provided, That as to real estate, said property, when so required by law, may be sold and the proceeds from such sale covered into said fund: And provided further, That said corporation, in the lawful administration of said fund, may sell any property therein and re-invest the proceeds of such sale in such securities and other property as shall be lawful investments for saving banks and trustees in this state, said property and securities when acquired, to become a part of the principal of said fund: And provided further, That none of the offerings of said church received or collected for missionary or benevolent purposes shall be used for the current running expenses of said church or corporation; nor shall any fund or funds, money or other property received, set aside, accumulated or acquired for a specific purpose be diverted to any other use without the consent of the donor or his duly authorized representative.

SEC. 8. In all cases where the property of any corporation subject to the provisions of this act has been abandoned, or is no longer used for the benefit of said corporation as a Congregational religious organization, or if said corporation has for a period of two years ceased to exercise its corporate functions, or to hold regular religious services, then, in any or all of such cases, the local association of churches with which it is, or has last been connected may, by resolution declare the said corporation extinct and may notify the Michigan Congregational Conference, a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of this state, of such resolution. Upon receiving such notice the said conference by its executive committee or such officer as said committee may designate, may apply to any court of equity jurisdiction in the county in which said property may be, for a decree, dissolving said corporation and vesting the title to its property in the said Michigan Congregational Conference. The application for such decree shall contain a statement of the reasons for said action and there shall be annexed thereto a duly certified copy of the resolution of the local association of churches

to which said corporation belonged, declaring said church extinct, as above provided. Upon the filing of said application an order shall be entered, requiring all persons interested in said corporation, to show cause if any they have why such corporation should not be dissolved, at some time and place to be therein specified, not less than four weeks from the date thereof. Notice of the contents of such order shall be published once in each week for three successive weeks in a newspaper published in said county, if any such there be, and if not, in such newspaper of general circulation in said county as the court may direct. On the day appointed in such order, or on any day to which the court may adjourn the proceedings, if it shall appear to the court that the facts set forth in said application are true, a decree shall be entered, dissolving said corporation and vesting the title to its property in the said Michigan Congregational Conference, and such corporation shall thereupon be dissolved and the title to its property shall vest in the said Michigan Congregational Conference, which shall hold the said property, or the proceeds thereof if, in its judgment, it shall be deemed wise to sell it, in trust for two years and if, within said time, a Congregational church shall be incorporated under this act as the successor of the church so dissolved and shall be received in due form as a member of the local association to which the said church belonged at the time of its dissolution, it shall be the duty of the said Michigan Congregational Conference, on receiving satisfactory proof of said facts, to convey the said property or the proceeds thereof to the said church so incorporated which shall then be deemed to be in all respects the successor of the said church so dissolved, and shall succeed to all of its rights, privileges, property and obligations, except as above provided, as if said corporation had not been dissolved. But if no such church is so organized and incorporated, the absolute title to said property shall vest in the said Michigan Congregational Conference, subject to all trusts affecting the same in the hands of the dissolved corporation.

SEC. 9. Any church or religious organization, whether incorporated or unincorporated, may, at a meeting duly called for the purpose, by a two-thirds vote of those persons present and voting, place itself under the provisions of this act, the same as if incorporated under it by adopting and filing articles of association as provided in section two hereof.

SEC. 10. In all cases, whether in law or in equity, that may arise in any of the courts of the state, regarding churches incorporated under this act, or those which by vote shall have put themselves under its provisions, all other acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith shall be interpreted and construed in such manner as to give full force and effect to the provisions of this act.

In effect after August 15, 1913.

AN ACT to Provide for the Voluntary Dissolution of Ecclesiastical Societies Auxiliary to Congregational Churches, and for the Disposition of their Property, and to Repeal Act Number Forty-seven of the Public Acts of Nineteen Hundred One, Entitled, "An Act for the Consolidation in Congregational Churches of an Ecclesiastical Society with its Church."

Act 303, Public Acts of Michigan, 1913

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

SECTION 1. Whenever any Congregational church, in connection with which is an already incorporated religious or ecclesiastical society, at any regular or called meeting, shall express by ballot and by a two-thirds vote of its qualified members present and voting a desire to assume said corporate powers and the direction and control of its property and secular affairs, the trustees of said society, upon receiving official notification of the vote of said church, shall forthwith call a meeting of said society, of which meeting notice shall be given on three successive Sundays next preceding the date of said meeting, specifying the time, place and object thereof, to consider and vote upon the questions stated in section two hereof.

SEC. 2. At the meeting so called, the following question shall be put to vote:

Shall the title to all the property of the (name of society) be vested in theCongregational church ofMichigan, and the said society be dissolved?

The vote shall be by ballot and if two-thirds of the ballots cast shall be in the affirmative, a duly certified copy of such resolution shall be transmitted to the clerk of the said church who shall call a meeting of the said church, which shall then prepare, execute and place on record, articles of association under and in accordance with the provisions of act number fifty-three of the Public Acts of nineteen hundred one, and the amendments thereto, or such other act as may hereafter supersede said act and upon recording said articles of association as provided in said act the said society shall be dissolved and all property owned by it shall pass to and be held by the said church so incorporated under the name and style adopted by it in the said articles of association, and all liabilities of said society shall be assumed and paid by said church.

SEC. 3. Act number forty-seven of the Public Acts of nineteen hundred one, entitled "An act for the consolidation in Congregational churches of an ecclesiastical society with its church," is hereby repealed: Provided, however, That notwithstanding the repeal thereof, all rights of every kind and nature now held or enjoyed under and by virtue thereof, are expressly preserved and shall continue unimpaired; and said act shall be deemed to be still in force for the enjoyment and protection of said rights but for no other purpose whatsoever.

In effect after August 15, 1913.

ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

(As amended May 21, 1913.)

ARTICLE I

The name of this corporation shall be the Michigan Congregational Conference.

ARTICLE II

The object of this Conference is and shall be, in general, the propagation of the religious faith and ecclesiastical polity of the Congregational Churches in connection with the said Conference, and with "The National Council of the Congregational Churches of the United States," and for the carrying out of this object, the reception, holding, investing, reinvesting and disbursement of such moneys and properties as may be given or bequeathed to it for any purposes within the scope of the Conference and more particularly the following:—

- (1) The planting and nurturing of Sunday Schools of said faith and order.
- (2) The planting and aiding of churches of said faith and order.
- (3) The helping of churches of said faith and order in erecting houses of worship and parsonages.
- (4) The careful oversight of the churches of said faith and order in conjunction with advisory committees chosen by the local associations of churches.
- (5) The relief of disabled ministers of said faith and order and of their families.
- (6) The extension of Christianity in foreign lands; the furtherance of Christian education; and co-operation with all the benevolent interests of said faith and order.
- (7) The providing for the training and examination of such applicants for licensure and ordination within said faith and order as have not received the collegiate and seminary education.
- (8) The providing a bureau of ministerial supply.
- (9) The collection and preservation of results of councils, and of records, minutes, books, etc., pertaining to churches and ministers of said faith and order.
- (10) The doing of whatever else may foster the growth, or promote the welfare or the interests of said faith and order, not inconsistent with the laws of the State of Michigan or of the United States.

ARTICLE III

Members.—SECTION 1. Every Congregational church connected with a local Association in this State is entitled to representation in this Conference by its pastor, if a member in regular standing in some local association in this State, and by one delegate to be chosen by such church annually.

SEC. 2. All officers of the Conference, all ministers in regular standing in any local Association in the State, and all who may be members of the Board of Trustees in regular standing during any part of the annual State meeting are entitled to membership in the Conference.

ARTICLE IV

Meetings.—The annual meeting of this Conference shall be held at such place as shall have been selected at the previous meeting, and shall begin on the third Tuesday in May, at 7:30 p. m.; if any exigency arise, which, in the unanimous opinion of the moderator, registrar and scribe, requires a special meeting of the Conference, or a change in either the time or place of the annual meeting thereof, it shall be competent for these officers to call such special meeting, or to make such change of time or place of holding the annual meeting, by giving thirty days' notice to the clerks of the churches and to the ministerial members. Notice of a special meeting must state its purposes.

ARTICLE V

Quorum.—Thirty-five members shall be a quorum for the transaction of business.

ARTICLE VI

Trustees.—The Board of Trustees of this Conference shall be composed of one representative from each local association of Congregational churches and ministers, one from each new association as formed, and six to be chosen from the state at large, provided that at least one-third of the entire number shall be laymen. They shall be elected by ballot on Wednesday, the second day of the meeting of the Conference. At the first election one-third shall be elected for a term of three years, one-third for two years and one-third for one year, and thereafter one-third for a term of three years and shall hold office until their successors are elected and qualified. No trustee shall be eligible for re-election after having served two consecutive terms until he shall have been out of office at least one year, it being construed that election for a portion of a term is equivalent to the full term. Said trustees shall annually elect ten members of their number as an Executive Committee, who shall have such power as may be vested in them by the Board of Trustees. The Board shall have power to fill vacancies in their membership until the next meeting of the Conference.

The Board of Trustees shall have charge of the property of the Conference, and shall transact either directly or through their Executive Committee, all of the affairs thereof, except as otherwise provided. They shall receive, hold, control, invest, reinvest and expend all the moneys or property given or bequeathed in trust or otherwise to the said Michigan Congregational Conference and shall apply the same, or the proceeds thereof, to the work of said Conference, or to such branch thereof as may be designated in the will, bequest or trust, in accordance with the laws of the State. The Trustees shall, by every means within their power, promote each and all of the objects of the Conference stated in Article II, and shall make annual report to the Conference of the administration of the funds, the work accomplished and the existing condition in each department of effort, and shall recommend such appropriation of moneys, the creation of such agencies and the initiation of such measures as in their judgment shall be best adapted to promote the interests of the said several departments. They shall carry into effect the action of the Conference upon their recommendations, but the appointment, oversight and control of all such agencies shall be vested in the Trustees and their Executive Committee, provided that any appointment of a superintendent shall be subject to confirmation of the Conference. A majority of the members elect of said Board shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE VII

Said conference may hold real and personal property not to exceed in value the sum of \$100,000.00 to be devoted exclusively to the purposes set forth in Article II.

ARTICLE VIII

These Articles may be amended at any regular meeting of the Conference by a two-thirds vote of the members present, due notice having been given at the previous annual meeting, designating the subject and article to be affected.

ARTICLE IX

The term of existence of this corporation is fixed at thirty years from the twelfth day of May, A. D. 1886.

CONSTITUTION

(As amended June 9, 1910, and May 14, 1914.)

PREAMBLE

The Michigan Congregational Conference in voluntary fellowship for the promotion of the Church of Christ through common consecration and co-operation, makes confession of its devout faith in one God, our Father in Heaven, who has manifested himself to the world in Jesus Christ, His Son, our Lord, and in living fellowship abides in His children through His Spirit, our guide and comforter; and, believing that the principles of the Congregational system of church government are best adapted to the promotion of the welfare of the Christian church, and believing, moreover, that the extension and efficiency of the system would be greatly promoted by organizing a general Conference of the Congregational churches and ministers of Michigan, we therefore, to form such a Conference adopt the following:

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I

Name.—This Ecclesiastical Organization shall be called The Michigan Congregational Conference.

ARTICLE II

Object.—The object of this Conference shall be as stated in the Articles of Association. It will aim to promote Christian fellowship among its members; to obtain and disseminate information relative to the churches throughout the State, our country and the world; and by prayers, counsels and faithful efforts, to advance the cause of truth and holiness, but it shall exercise no ecclesiastical control or authority over the churches and ministers belonging to it.

ARTICLE III

Membership.—SECTION 1. The membership of this Conference shall be set forth in the Articles of Association.

SEC. 2. Any member of full legal age of any Congregational church connected with a local association in the State shall be eligible to election to any office in the Conference.

ARTICLE IV

Officers.—SECTION 1. The officers of this conference shall be a moderator, assistant moderator, scribe, and auditor, elected annually by ballot, and assistant scribe chosen *viva voce* at each meeting. There shall also be a registrar and a treasurer. The offices of state superintendent and registrar shall be combined without additional compensation to the superintendent. The treasurer shall be appointed by the trustees at their meeting next preceding the annual meeting of the conference, and subject to confirmation by the conference.

Duties of Officers.—SEC. 2. (1) The duties of moderator, assistant moderator, scribe and auditor shall be such as usually pertain to these offices.

(2) It shall be the duty of the registrar to keep a true record of all meetings and transactions of the Conference; to give due notice of the time and place of each meeting; to furnish churches with schedules for annual reports; to receive and distribute all schedules of statistics, programs and year books; to superintend the publishing of the minutes, and such other printing connected with his department as the Conference may order. He shall furnish the Conference, the Board of Trustees, the Executive Committee, and the local associations any information required by them on all matters relating to his department. For these services he shall receive such compensation as the trustees shall direct.

(3) The registrar of each local association shall be requested by conference with the advisory committee of that association, or by correspondence with the churches, to gather and send to the registrar of this Conference, after the meeting of the local association next preceding the meeting of this Conference, such a statement of the facts regarding the progress of the churches and the methods of their life and work as he may be able to gather, and the registrar shall, from these statements and from other available sources, present to the Conference such a general view of methods, of efforts and of progress, or the contrary, as he shall judge best fitted to stimulate the life and work of the churches of the State.

(4) The treasurer shall receive all moneys, shall be the custodian of all funds, and shall disburse the same upon the order of the Board of Trustees or their Executive Committee. He shall make an annual report of his doings to the Conference, accompanied by the auditor's certificate of the correctness of his accounts. He shall also give bonds for the faithful discharge of his duties in such sum as the Board of Trustees shall require and his compensation shall be determined by vote of the trustees.

ARTICLE V

Meetings.—The annual meeting of this Conference shall be held at such place as shall have been selected at the previous meeting, and shall begin on the third Tuesday of May, at 7 30 p. m., and continue to such hour as the Business Committee may determine. If any exigency shall arise, which, in the unanimous opinion of the moderator, registrar and scribe, requires a special meeting of this body, or change in either the time or place of the annual meeting thereof, it shall be competent for these officers to call such special meeting, or to make such change upon giving thirty days' notice to the clerks of the churches and to the ministerial members. Notice of a special meeting must state its purpose.

ARTICLE VI

Quorum.—Thirty-five members shall be a quorum for the transaction of business.

ARTICLE VII

Trustees.—The number, method of election, powers and duties of the trustees shall be as prescribed in the articles of association of the Conference. They shall also have power to appoint, subject to the confirmation of the Conference, a Superintendent, who shall not be a member of the board, and who shall hold office during the pleasure of the board, but not for more than one year upon one appointment. The Board of Trustees or their Executive Committee shall also have power to fill any vacancy in

any of the offices or committees of the Conference until the next annual meeting of the Conference.

It shall also be the function of this board to act as a consulting body and bureau of information in regard to all of the Congregational interests of the State; to co-operate with and supplement the work of the advisory committees in the local associations; to gather and keep on file all available information in regard to churches and ministers; to advise in matters submitted to them by the local associations their advisory or other committees, or by the churches and ministers; and in general, to unify and strengthen the churches, to elevate the standard of the ministry, and to promote the spirit of Christian fellowship. *Provided*, that in no way shall their action limit or interfere with the rights and liberties of the local churches.

It shall also be the duty of this board to keep in close touch with Christian institutions of learning, and to seek, by active measures, to inspire and promote to our churches, schools and homes, the gathering of worthy and competent recruits for the ministry.

ARTICLE VIII

Superintendent.—A superintendent shall be appointed by the Trustees, at their meeting next preceding the annual meeting of the Conference, and subject to confirmation by the Conference, who shall have general oversight and direction of the work in the State, modified and restricted only by the powers given to the Trustees or their Executive Committee and such rules as they may adopt. The superintendent shall receive such compensation as may be fixed by the Trustees, subject to the approval of the Conference.

ARTICLE IX

Committees.—SECTION 1. There shall be elected a Business Committee of six, three of whom shall serve for two years, three for one year, and thereafter three shall be chosen annually for a term of two years. One of the committee shall be the minister of the church with which the Conference votes next to meet. It shall be the duty of this Committee to arrange for and prepare a program and order of business for all meetings to be held by the Conference, and place a docket of the same in the hands of the moderator. Any member may introduce items of business but all business not previously submitted to the Business Committee shall be referred to this committee to be reported on before final adjournment.

SEC. 2. There shall be a Nominating Committee of four, to be elected by ballot, two to serve two years, two to serve one year, and thereafter two to be chosen annually for a term of two years, whose duty it shall be to make all nominations not otherwise provided for, and to keep a record of all the nominations confirmed by the Conference in a book to be provided by the registrar.

SEC. 3. An Obituary Committee of three shall be chosen annually, who shall make a fit report to this Conference of the service of those ministers who at their death were, or long had been, members of the body, and such lay members who had rendered conspicuous service to our churches.

SEC. 4. Such other committees as may be needed shall be appointed by the Conference or by the Board of Trustees, and any member of full legal age of any Congregational church within the State shall be eligible for such service.

ARTICLE X

National Council.—This Conference appreciating the fellowship of the churches, and the need of comprehensive plans for advancing the Redeemer's Kingdom, will be represented by delegates in the National Council of Congregational Churches.

ARTICLE XI

Amendments.—This constitution may be changed or amended at any regular meeting of the Conference by a two-thirds vote of the members present, provided notice shall have been given at the previous annual meeting, designating the subject and article to be affected.

B Y - L A W S

1. *Organization.*—The annual meeting shall be opened by the moderator or assistant, or, in their absence, the registrar or the minister of the church with which the Conference meets shall call the members to order, and shall preside until a moderator pro tem is chosen. Wednesday morning the Conference shall be organized by making a roll of members and electing scribes for the meeting. The moderator and assistant moderator shall be elected on the last day of the meeting and shall serve through the year and until their successors are elected.

2. *Roll.*—On the first evening of the meeting the registrar shall circulate and collect cards on which the ministers and delegates entitled to membership shall write their names, together with the names, respectively of their church and local associations. The registrar shall, from these cards, complete the roll and report such early the next day.

3. *Advisory Members.*—Only the business committee shall propose the names of advisory members.

4. *Conduct of Business.*—(1) Each session shall be opened and closed with prayer. The minutes shall be read for approval on the morning of each day and at the close of the meeting.

(2) The usage of like deliberative bodies shall be observed in the conduct of business, except as otherwise provided.

(3) When a motion is under debate, no motion shall be received except for adjournment, amendment, postponement, commitment division of the question, yeas and nays, or the previous question, viz.: SHALL THE MAIN QUESTION NOW BE PUT? and these motions, except for amendment, shall not be debated.

(4) In debate, no member, without leave of the body, shall speak more than ten minutes, nor more than once while others wish to occupy the floor.

5. *Apportionment.*—It is recommended that each local association pay, through its registrar to the treasurer of this Conference, at its annual meeting, whatever money may remain unpaid, of the amount apportioned to the churches of such association.

6. *Committees.*—Members of committees holding over from year to year shall be *ex officio* members of the Conference during their term of office.

7. *Delegates to the National Council.*—At each meeting of this Conference previous to a National Council, and on the third day of the meeting, delegates and alternates, half of each to be laymen, shall be chosen by ballot to represent the churches of this state in the next National Council. Vacancies that occur in the delegation may be filled by the business committee; but, in case this committee fail to appoint, the vacancies shall be filled by the delegation present at the session of the Council. And it shall be the duty of any delegate who may not be able to attend said Council, to notify, at his earliest convenience, the person first named on the business committee.

8. *Roll to be Furnished Nominating Committee.*—It shall be the duty of the registrar, early in the session of the body, to furnish the nominating committee a copy of the roll of members.

9. *The fiscal year* of the Michigan Congregational Conference shall begin on the first day of January and shall coincide with the calendar year. Provided, however, that this by-law shall not be understood to affect in any manner the time of holding the annual meeting, or of the election of officers, or of the beginning or ending of the term for which officers are elected.

10. *Suspension of Rules.*—Any of these rules, except the eleventh, may be suspended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

11. *Amendment of Rules.*—Any motion to amend or repeal any rule of this body may be read on two different days, and may be debated at each reading. At the first reading the question shall be: SHALL IT BE READ A SECOND TIME?

RESOLUTION

Resolution adopted at the annual meeting May 19-20, 1909: That the annual meeting of the Board of Trustees be held as a stated policy on the opening day of the meeting of the state conference for consultation and for action upon such matters as shall require attention.

RECOMMENDATIONS

In accordance with the provisions of the Articles of Association and the Constitution of the Michigan Congregational Conference it is recommended to the churches and local associations that provision be made for the appointment of local advisory committees in the associations to act in conjunction with the trustees of the state body; it is also recommended that provisions be made according to specifications given herewith for the examination licensure and ordination of candidates for the ministry.

These recommendations pertain first to the appointment of local association advisory committees. It is recommended:

I. That each local association appoint a committee to be called the Advisory Committee, consisting of five members, of which the moderator and registrar of the association shall be members *ex officiis*, and three other members, to be elected at the annual meeting, as follows: At the first election one member to be elected for one year, one for two years and one for three years; and thereafter one to be elected each year to serve three years. It is urged that special care be taken to secure the most competent membership for the committee.

II. The functions of this committee to be—

1. To know the churches and ministers within the bounds of the association, their character, needs, and conditions, and to keep a record of the same corrected to date and filed with the registrar.

2. To hold itself in readiness at all times to assist, inform, advise, and suggest, upon request, in cases where a change of pastorate, the organization of a church, the consolidation of fields or other exigencies affecting the common welfare of our churches, may call for such action.

3. To be in active and constant communication with the Board of Trustees of the state conference; filing with it its local information; gathering from its larger files wider information; reporting to it at once any changes in fields or men; making investigation at its request, and aiding in all possible ways its effort to know Congregational life.

4. To act in conjunction with the pastor of the church where a meeting of the association is to be held, as the program committee; with a view to suggesting, from its knowledge of the field, vital and practical topics, presenting plans of progress or extension, and increasing the interest among both clerical and lay members of our churches, in the meetings and work of the association.

5. To be the Missionary Committee of the association.

These recommendations pertain second, to ordination and examination on the course of study.

I. Inasmuch as under our present system ministerial standing vests in the local association, it is recommended that to the same body be accorded the function of passing, after due examination, upon the credentials and fitness of candidates for ordination. It is suggested that the procedure be as follows:

1. A church seeking to induct into its pastorate a man who has not been ordained, may present the candidate for examination at a meeting of the local association with which the church is connected; notice of such intention having been previously given to the registrar and printed on the program of the association meeting.

2. The said association to examine the candidate thus presented in regard to his intellectual, moral and spiritual fitness for the ministry, and if approved, to present a certificate of such approval to him and to the church presenting him.

3. Upon the basis of such certificate the church to proceed, either then or thereafter; to the ordination of the candidate through a council of fellowship; the same being either the association or a group of churches elected by the church and the candidate.

II. Inasmuch as this conference has provided a course of study for those applicants for ordination who have not received collegiate and seminary education, it is recommended that, for the sake of uniformity, the examination of candidates on this course of study be conducted by a committee of the state conference; and that the certificate of said committee that he has completed this course satisfactorily shall be required in all such cases by the local associations before it proceeds to his examination for ordination.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED AT THE ANNUAL MEETING MAY 16-18, 1911

That the committee on examination and course of study be instructed to hold the examination of licentiates on the opening day of the conference.

COURSE OF STUDY

Resolutions adopted at the annual meeting May 18-20, 1909: We endorse the resolution from your committee on examination and course of study that all licentiates appear for examination at the annual meeting of the conference before the central committee. We further recommend that such licentiates be enrolled as first year, second year, third year candidates as the case may be, and that they be held to the course of study in such a way that it may be completed within the prescribed period.

The course is divided into two parts, covering topics of examination and books for reading. It is arranged for three periods of one year each.

FIRST YEAR

Study Course.—Scott & Denney's Elementary English Composition; Willett & Campbell's The Teachings of the Books; Gilbert's Student's Life of Jesus; Kent's History of the Hebrew People, Vols. 1 and 2; Dexter's Story of the Pilgrims; A Written Sermon.

Reading Course.—Beecher's Yale Lectures on Preaching; Butterfield's Chapters in Rural Progress; Lawrence's How to Conduct a Sunday School; Gladden's The Church and Modern Life; Crooker's The Church of Today; Dewhurst's The Investment of Truth.

SECOND YEAR

Study Course.—Steven's Biblical Theology of New Testament; Kautsch's History of the Literature of the Old Testament; Kent's History of the Jewish People, Vols. 3 and 4; Clark's An Outline of Christian Theology, Part I-III; Fisher's History of the Christian Church to the Modern Era; Essay Covering Rauschenbusch's "Christianity and the Social Crisis."

Reading Course.—Mead's Modern Methods in Church Work; Davenport's Primitive Traits in Religious Revivals; Gordon's Through Man to God; Leonard's One Hundred Years of Missions.

THIRD YEAR

Study Course.—Matthew's History of the New Testament Times; Piepenbring's Theology of Old Testament; Clarke's An Outline of Christian Theology, Part IV-VI; Fisher's History of the Christian Church from the Modern Era; Dunning's Congregationalism in America; Essay on the History of the Doctrine of the Atonement.

Reading Course.—Munger's Life of Bushnell; Nash's Genesis of the Social Conscience; King's The Seeming Unreality of the Spiritual Life; Coe's The Spiritual Life; Hamlin's Life and Times.

MICHIGAN CONGREGATIONAL CONFERENCE

Seventy-third Annual Meeting with Park Congregational Church
in Grand Rapids, May 12-14, 1914

PROGRAM

General Theme:—The Church at Work.

TUESDAY EVENING, MAY 12

5:00—Annual Meeting of the Michigan Congregational Brotherhood.
Business Meeting. Reports of Officers.
6:00—Brotherhood Banquet—50c per plate. Notification necessary.
Short Table Talks.
7:45—Address by our National Moderator, Dr. Charles R. Brown.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, MAY 13

8:40—Worship conducted by Chaplain Augustine Jones, South Haven.
9:00—Business Session. Organization.
Report of Registrar on the State of the Churches.
Report of Superintendent. Report of Treasurer.
Report of Board of Trustees.
Report of Committees. Election of Trustees.
10:30—Parliament of Efficient Methods in Local Church Management.
Presentation limited to five minutes each. Thirty minutes for open discussion.
(1)—A Working Program for Building up the Finances, C. C. Vaughan, St. Johns.
(2)—Handling the Benevolences, Rev. U. G. Rich, Hancock.
(3)—Working with the People, Rev. A. A. Allington, Gaylord.
(4)—Reaching the Community, Rev. G. P. Endy, Almont.
(5)—Leading the Congregation in Worship, Rev. C. J. Dole, Chelsea.
(6)—Magnifying the Pastoral Office, Rev. R. W. Paul, Fremont.
11:30—Address: "A Workable Plan in Pastoral Evangelism," Rev. M. J. Sweet, Pontiac.
Fifteen minutes for the speaker and fifteen minutes for open discussion.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 13

2:00—Worship conducted by Chaplain Augustine Jones.
2:20—Business Session.
3:00—Reports from the Local Associations on the Campaigns of Friendship and Efficiency.
Reports limited to five minutes each, with thirty minutes for open discussion.
(1)—S. M. Wright, Grand Rapids.
(2)—Rev. Fred Pinch, Conklin.
(3).—Rev. E. R. Latham, Clinton.

- (4)—Rev. W. A. Cutler, Grass Lake.
- (5)—Rev. E. J. Sipes, North Adams.
- (6)—Rev. F. S. Hurlburt, Bronson.

4:00—Addresses: "The Church and the Feminist Movement."

- (1)—From the masculine viewpoint, Rev. C. O. Grieshaber, Grand Rapids.
- (2)—From the feminine viewpoint, Mrs. C. R. Wilson, Detroit. Papers limited to ten minutes each; open discussion of ten minutes.

4:30—Address: "The Church and Industrial Democracy," National Secretary, Rev. Henry A. Atkinson, Boston, Mass.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, MAY 13

7:45—Address: "Carrying Forward the National Council Program," Rev. Frank M. Sheldon, Ann Arbor.

8:30—Conference Sermon, Rev. Archibald Hadden, Muskegon; Rev. Bastian Smits, Jackson, alternate.

THURSDAY MORNING, MAY 14

8:40—Worship conducted by Chaplain Augustine Jones.

9:00—Business Session.

9:30—Explanation of new retiring pension fund for Congregational ministers, Rev. Wm. A. Rice, New York.

10:00—Annual Meeting of the Michigan Home Missionary Society.

Business.

- Address: "The Faithful Minister in a Small Town," Rev. F. H. Bridgewater, Central Lake.
- Address: "The Rural Institutional Church," Rev. W. Huck, Benzonia.
- Address: "All Things to All Men," Rev. W. R. Columbus, Garden.
- Address: "Transformation of the Small Sunday School," Rev. A. E. Fraser, Traverse City.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 14

2:00—Worship conducted by Chaplain Augustine Jones.

Celebration of the Lord's Supper.

2:45—Business Session.

3:45—Address: "The Strategy of Home Missions," Rev. Reuben L. Breed of New York.

4:15—Address: "The Conquering Church," Pres. Ozora S. Davis, Chicago Theological Seminary.

THURSDAY EVENING, MAY 14

7:45—Demonstration of an Ellis Island Examination of Immigrants, under the direction of Rev. Reuben L. Breed of New York City.

8:45—Demonstration of the religious use of motion pictures upon the Park Church apparatus.

Adjournment.

MINUTES

TUESDAY EVENING, MAY 12, 1914

At the close of the brotherhood banquet, the conference was called to order in the auditorium of Park Congregational Church at 7:45 o'clock, the moderator, Rev. H. S. Mills, presiding. The service of song was led by the chorus choir of Park Church. Prayer was offered by Rev. J. W. Sutherland. Rev. Charles R. Brown, dean of the Yale School of Religion, and moderator of the National Council, addressed the conference upon the topic, "The Four-square Church." The session closed with the benediction by Rev. Charles R. Brown.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, MAY 13, 1914

The seventy-third annual meeting of the Michigan Congregational Conference convened Wednesday morning, May 13, 1914, at 8:40 o'clock in the Park Congregational Church of Grand Rapids. The moderator, Rev. H. S. Mills of Benzonia, in the chair. The devotional service was led by Rev. Augustine Jones of South Haven, chaplain of the conference. The scripture was read by Rev. W. J. Campbell of Kalamazoo, and prayer was offered by Rev. J. Percival Huget of Detroit. The membership roll was made out as follows:

CHEBOYGAN ASSOCIATION

CHURCH	MINISTER	DELEGATE
Charlevoix and Ironton	C. E. Taggart	Mrs. C. E. Taggart
Gaylord	A. A. Allington	
Mancelona	J. H. Butler	C. W. Benton
Vanderbilt	H. J. L. Wooley	Mrs. H. J. L. Wooley

LICENTIATES

F. H. Bridgewater, Central Lake; Albert Dawe, Lewiston

DETROIT ASSOCIATION

Detroit, 1st	J. P. Huget	Joseph Reichrath
Detroit, N. Woodward	C. B. Emerson	F. W. Chamberlin
Detroit, Fort Street	M. Lee Grant	
Detroit, Brewster	Mac H. Wallace	
Oxford	James M. Turner	
Pontiac	M. J. Sweet	Mrs. Emma L. Jackson
Royal Oak		G. W. Blackmon
Wayne	C. I. Taylor	Mrs. C. I. Taylor
	Ministerial Member	J. W. Sutherland, Lansing

EASTERN ASSOCIATION

CHURCH	MINISTER	DELEGATE
Almont	G. P. Endy.....	
New Haven and Chesterfield		Mrs. E. M. Salter
Richmond & Columbus	G. H. Bacheler.....	Mrs. G. H. Bacheler
Port Huron, 1st.....	T. R. McRoberts.....	W. G. Schuck
St. Clair	W. M. Todd.....	Mrs W. M. Todd

LICENTIATE

E. M. Salter, New Haven and Chesterfield

GENESEE ASSOCIATION

Bancroft	W. H. Shannon.....	Mrs. A. Reeves
Flint	Ernest Evans	C. T. Bridgman
Laingsburg	J. F. Hutchinson.....	
Ovid	Francis W. Bates.....	
Owosso	Carlos H. Hanks.....	
St. Johns	Matt Mullen	
Vernon	T. E. Bennett.....	Frank Whelan
		Ministerial Member—Trevor C. Jones, Durand

GLADSTONE ASSOCIATION

LICENTIATE
W. Roy Columbus, Garden and Fayette

GRAND RAPIDS ASSOCIATION

Allendale & Bass River	H. Heafield	
Alpine Trinity	C. C. Omans.....	
Clarksville	E. Wooley	Mrs. Dewell
Conklin	Fred Pinch	Thomas E. Wilde
Corinth	Robert Gordon	John Burgess
Elmdale	W. Parker	Mrs. W. E. Chambers
Freeport	W. Parker	
Gd. Rapids, 1st.....	E. W. Bishop.....	Mrs. George Davis
Gd. Rapids, 2nd.....	S. T. Morris.....	
Gd. Rapids, South.....	C. O. Grieshaber.....	D. R. McEachron
Gd. Rapids, Smith Memorial	H. McConnell	Mrs. H. McConnell
Gd. Rapids, Plymouth	J. M. MacLeod.....	Mrs. J. M. MacLeod
Gd. Rapids, East.....	F. Fulkerson	E. A. Bemis
Gd. Rapids, Wallin Memorial	J. T. Husted.....	
Gd. Rapids, Comstock Park		Martin Timmerman
Grandville	L. E. Hague.....	Mrs. Ellen Hyatt
Howard City	J. E. Courier.....	
Hudsonville	J. F. Fryer.....	
Jenison	L. E. Hague.....	
Lowell	Adam Murrman	
Moline	Robert Gordon	Mrs. Robert Gordon

CHURCH	MINISTER	DELEGATE
Rockford	Clarence Finster	Mrs. Miller
Saugatuck	A. H. Lash.....	John Koenig
Ministerial Members—	P. M. Cripps, D. A. Holman, J. W. Sherwood, I. Wisse, F. E. York, Grand Rapids; W. D. King, South Haven	

LICENTIATES

R. L. Wintz, Bradley and Wayland; J. George Peters, Douglas

GRAND TRAVERSE ASSOCIATION

Benzonia	H. S. Mills.....	Mrs. C. H. Harger
Frankfort	Stephen Vaughan	
Honor and Homestead.	W. H. Sargent.....	
Manistee	J. J. Staley.....	
Traverse City, 1st.....	Mr. Deems	
Traverse City, Oak Pk.	A. E. Fraser.....	Mrs. A. E. Fraser
Ministerial Members—	C. H. Harger, G. R. Catton, Benzonia	

LICENTIATES

R. T. Caldwell, Benzonia parish; Wm. Huck, Benzonia parish

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Ann Arbor	F. M. Sheldon.....	P. C. Lovejoy
Chelsea	C. J. Dole.....	Mr. Belser
Grass Lake	W. A. Cutler.....	
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Jackson, Plymouth and Sandstone	Allan J. Blair.....	
Leslie	W. C. Allen.....	
Salem, 1st and 2nd....	Matthew Knowles	
Union City	Percy V. Dawe.....	
Ypsilanti	O. Lloyd Morris.....	Bert Kenny

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Allegan	S. E. Kelley.....	
Benton Harbor	A. C. Diefenbach.....	Mrs. A. C. Diefenbach
Coloma and Watervliet.	W. H. Fuller.....	
Constantine	W. E. Stevens.....	
Covert	Fred Harrison	Mrs. Laura E. Spelman
Dowagiac	John Lambrecht	
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Kalamazoo	W. J. Campbell.....	
Kendall	C. D. Banister.....	Mrs. C. D. Banister
Lawrence	H. C. Snyder.....	
Leroy	F. P. Sprague.....	
St. Joseph		H. A. Bushnell
South Haven	Augustine Jones	Mrs. T. C. Iddles
Texas		Mrs. H. J. Walker
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Ministerial Member—Ferd E. Carter, Allegan

LICENTIATES

J. H. Roger, Bedford; R. L. Wintz, Hopkins

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CHURCH	MINISTER	DELEGATE
Calumet	L. K. Long.....	Mrs. L. K. Lnog
Dowagiac	U. G. Rich.....	G. S. Goodale

LICENTIATE

S. J. Paull, Redridge and Beacon Hill

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Belding	E. B. Lapham
Butternut	N. L. Otis.....
Carson City	Mrs. J. G. Tennant
Charlotte	Miss Sarah Williams
Coral	J. E. Courier.....
Crystal	Mrs. Newell
East Lansing	Mrs. W. E. Lyon
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Edmore & Rock Lake..	B. H. Pelton.....
Gd. Ledge & Wacousta.	J. E. Foote.....
Greenville	D. A. Seeley
Lansing, Plymouth....	St. Clare Parsons.....
Lansing, Pilgrim.....	E. Routan
Lansing, Pilgrim.....	J. S. Williamson.....
Lansing, Pilgrim.....	R. M. Hardy.....
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Mulliken	James Davies
Olivet	Mrs. F. H. Foster
Portland	Lorenzo Webber
Saranac	E. Woolley
Sidney	Mrs. Chatterson
Stanton	Mrs. G. H. Alexander
Vermontville	Wm. Wiedenhoeft
Williamston	R. Dalzell
Williamston	David Young
Ministerial Members—	W. Mitchell
F. H. Foster, Olivet; E. G. Lancaster, Olivet;	
G. H. Alexander, Sidney	

LICENTIATES

W. L. Frost, Carson City; B. D. Snook, Chippewa Lake and Rodney;
W. E. Lyon, Crystal; E. Humphrey, Lakeview

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Grand Haven	F. W. Ollis.....	Mrs. F. Blanch
Hart	G. H. Hancock.....	
Muskegon, 1st	A. Hadden.....	Ira D. Birdsell
Muskegon, Highl'd Pk..	A. L. Allison.....	Mrs. Henry Borderdine
Muskegon, Jackson St..	A. L. Allison.....	
Nunica	F. W. Ollis.....	
Shelby	G. C. Speer.....	

Ministerial Member—F. W. Sass, Lansing

NORTH CENTRAL ASSOCIATION

CHURCH	MINISTER	DELEGATE
Big Rapids, 1st.....	W. A. Hutchinson.....	Mrs. W. A. Hutchinson
Big Rapids, Twp.....	W. A. Hutchinson.....	
Clare	G. D. Lyford.....	Mrs. G. D. Lyford
Hersey	Clement Upham	
Ludington	H. A. Putnam.....	Mrs. H. A. Putnam
	Ministerial Member—E. J. Millington, Cadillac	

SAGINAW ASSOCIATION

Alpena	I. W. Stuart.....	H. M. Howe
Bay City	V. F. Brown.....	
Breckenridge	E. F. Gray.....	
Merrill	W. D. J. Stevenson.....	Mrs. W. D. J. Stevenson
Roscommon	W. Etheridge	
Saginaw, 1st	N. S. Bradley.....	
	Ministerial Member—A. E. Pomeroy, Mayville	

S. S. MARIE ASSOCIATION

Pine Grove & Rosedale.N. Skidmore

SOUTHERN ASSOCIATION

Bethel	F. S. Hurlburt.....	
Bronson	F. S. Hurlburt.....	Mrs. F. S. Hurlburt
Clinton	E. R. Latham.....	
Hudson	J. Hyslop	Mrs. C. B. Stowell
Jefferson and Ransom..	I. E. Crites.....	
Litchfield	C. D. Oberlin.....	
North Adams	E. J. Sipes.....	J. J. Robbins
Somerset	M. Guy Vanbuskirk....	
Tipton	W. T. Hinzman.....	
	Ministerial Member—H. P. Collin, Coldwater	

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 L. P. Haight, Muskegon
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 C. C. Vaughan, St. Johns
 C. B. Stowell, Hudson

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Rev. C. R. Brown, New Haven, Conn.
 Rev. W. A. Rice, New York
 Rev. R. L. Breed, New York
 Rev. Henry A. Atkinson, Boston, Mass.
 Mr. Frank W. Hodgson, Winchester, Mass.
 Pres. Ozora S. Davis, Chicago, Ill.

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 Mrs. Fred Pinch, Conklin
 Mrs. Shafer, Elmdale
 Rev. H. A. McGoon, Webster
 Mrs. Augustine Jones, South Haven
 Miss Tillie Root
 Mrs. E. B. Lapham, Belding
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 Mrs. R. M. Hardy, Lansing
 Miss Grace Woolley, Saranac
 Mrs. R. W. Paul, Fremont
 Frank Smith, Fremont
 Mrs. A. Hadden, Muskegon
 Mrs. W. L. Hammond, Muskegon
 Mrs. Kratz, Big Rapids
 Rev. J. D. Livingstone, Addison
 Mrs. A. H. Lash, Saugatuck

SUMMARY

Ministerial members	124
Licentiates	14
Lay delegates	72
Trustees	5
Corresponding members	6

	221
Visitors	17

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Rev. E. R. Latham of Clinton was elected scribe and Rev. R. T. Caldwell of Benzonia assistant scribe.

The annual report of the registrar on the state of the churches was read by Rev. J. W. Sutherland. See Document A. The annual report of the treasurer, together with the report of the auditor, was presented by Mr. L. P. Haight. See Document B.

The annual report of the board of trustees was read by Rev. Bastian Smits. The report with its resolutions was adopted. See Document C.

The nominating committee presented the following nominations for board of trustees:

For three years:

Detroit Association—Mr. C. J. Chandler.

Eastern Association—Rev. Thomas R. McRoberts.

Genesee Association—Mr. C. C. Vaughan.

Gladstone Association—Mr. Raymond Empson.

North Central Association—Rev. Jonathan Turner.

Members at large for three years—Mrs. C. W. Wagner, Mrs. L. P. Haight.

The scribe was instructed to cast the ballot for these persons.

The time for business was extended ten minutes.

The committee on nominations presented further names as follows and the persons named were elected:

Trustees of Anti-Saloon League—Rev. Samuel T. Morris, Rev. Matt Mullen, Hon. Perry F. Powers.

Committee on Industrial Conditions—Rev. Nelson S. Bradley, Rev. Irving W. Stuart, Rev. L. K. Long.

Committee on Resolutions—Rev. Mac H. Wallace, Rev. U. G. Rich, Rev. H. C. Snyder.

Nominating Committee for two years—Rev. Milo J. Sweet, Rev. M. Lee Grant.

Business Committee for two years—Rev. James S. Williamson, Rev. Wm. J. Campbell, Rev. Demas Cochlin.

Committee on Methods of Efficiency in Church Work—Rev. C. B. Emerson, Rev. W. S. Steensma, Rev. St. Clare Parsons.

Committee on Interdenominational Comity — Rev. J. W. Sutherland, Rev. E. W. Bishop, Rev. J. P. Huget.

Rev. J. Percival Huget presented the report of the Committee on Education which was adopted. See Document D.

Rev. J. S. Williamson presented the following resolution in regard to Olivet College which was adopted: "We, the representatives of the Congregational churches of Michigan in state conference assembled, re-affirm our devotion to and confidence in the work done by Olivet College and most cordially recommend its financial need to the generosity of our churches and to all people of means who may be interested in its support."

It was voted that the report of the Committee on Necrology be presented at the close of the communion service.

A parliament of efficient methods in local church management was conducted. Six papers were presented as follows:

(1) A Working Program for Building up the Finances—C. C. Vaughan, St. Johns.

(2) Handling the Benevolences—Rev. U. G. Rich, Hancock.

(3) Working with the People—Rev. A. A. Allington, Gaylord.

(4) Reaching the Community—Rev. G. P. Endy, Almont.

(5) Leading the Congregation in Worship—Rev. C. J. Dole, Chelsea.

(6) Magnifying the Pastoral Office—Rev. R. W. Paul, Fremont.

These papers were followed by general discussion.

Prof. F. H. Foster was granted ten minutes to present the report of the Committee on Examination and Course of Study. The report was accepted and the accompanying resolution adopted. Document E. Certificates were presented to the following licentiates: F. H. Bridgewater, R. T. Caldwell, A. B. Lucas, J. G. Peters, W. E. Lyon, W. Huck.

An address upon the topic "A Workable Plan in Pastoral Evangelism" was given by Rev. M. J. Sweet of Pontiac. This address was followed by a general discussion.

The session closed with benediction by Rev. James Hyslop.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 13

Devotional services were conducted by Rev. Augustine Jones of South Haven, chaplain of the conference. The moderator took the chair at 2:30.

The report of the Industrial Committee concerning the strike in the copper country was read by Rev. L. K. Long. On motion of Rev. James S. Williamson, the report was laid on the table.

A report from the Committee on Resolutions was read by Rev. Mac H. Wallace presenting the following resolution from the Detroit Association: "Whereas, it is well known that members of our churches are continually removing to the cities and other places without making themselves known to the Congregational churches in the vicinity of their new residence, and are thus in danger of being lost to the denomination and to the Church of Christ itself: therefore, it is here recommended that the names and addresses of such members be sent to the church within whose parish they may remove; and further that the state superintendent is hereby requested to adopt and carry out such methods as may seem to him practicable to secure the efficient co-operation of the clerks and pastors of our state in the care of our absent members. Signed: Milo J. Sweet, Mac H. Wallace." The resolution was adopted and Rev. F. M. Sheldon, Rev. Wm. Steensma and Rev. E. W. Bishop were appointed to devise a plan for carrying the recommendation into effect.

The report of the Committee on Interdenominational Comity was presented by Rev. J. W. Sutherland. By vote, the conference reaffirmed its confidence in the work of the federation

of churches and requested the federation to conduct a survey of the state relating to over-churched and under-churched communities.

Reports from the local associations on the Campaign of Friendship and Efficiency were given as follows:

- (1) S. M. Wright, Grand Rapids.
- (2) Rev. Fred Pinch, Conklin.
- (3) Rev. E. R. Latham, Clinton.
- (4) Rev. W. A. Cutler, Grass Lake.
- (5) Rev. E. J. Sipes, North Adams.
- (6) Rev. F. S. Hurlburt, Bronson.

The reports were followed by general discussion.

After the singing of a hymn two addresses were given: "The Church and the Feminist Movement." (1) From the Feminine Viewpoint, Mrs. C. R. Wilson, Detroit; (2) From the Masculine Viewpoint, Rev. C. O. Grieshaber, Grand Rapids.

A solo, The Lord is My Shepherd, was rendered by Miss Woodbridge.

Rev. Henry A. Atkinson of Boston, Mass., national secretary of the Commission of Social Service, gave an address on "The Religious Significance of the Next Step in Democracy."

The afternoon session closed with benediction by Rev. Wm. Wiedenhoeft.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, MAY 13

The conference was called to order at 7:45 by the moderator.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. C. D. Banister and Rev. C. O. Grieshaber.

Rev. Frank M. Sheldon of Ann Arbor addressed the conference upon the topic, "Carrying Forward the National Council Program."

The conference sermon was preached by Rev. Archibald Hadden of Muskegon. Theme, "Jesus, the Great Optimist."

The session closed with the benediction by Rev. Archibald Hadden.

THURSDAY MORNING, MAY 14

Devotional services were conducted by the chaplain, Rev. Augustine Jones of South Haven.

The business committee reported that an invitation had been received from the First Church at Traverse City to entertain

the conference at its annual meeting of 1915. The invitation was accepted.

The roll of the conference was read and corrected by Superintendent J. W. Sutherland.

The business committee presented the following resolution from the board of trustees which was adopted: "In accordance with the notice given at the last annual meeting the adoption is moved on the following recommendations from the board of trustees: That Article IV, Section 1, of the Constitution be amended by striking out the following words: 'There shall also be a registrar and a treasurer elected triennially by ballot' and by substituting the following: 'There shall also be a registrar and a treasurer.' The offices of state superintendent and registrar shall be combined without additional compensation to the superintendent. The treasurer shall be appointed by the trustees, at their meeting next preceding the annual meeting of the conference, and subject to confirmation by the conference."

On nomination of the board of trustees, Mr. L. P. Haight was elected treasurer for the ensuing year.

Rev. Wm. A. Rice, secretary of the Congregational Board of Ministerial Relief, gave an address concerning the new retiring pension fund for Congregational ministers.

Rev. Bastian Smits presented a resolution regarding the work of the Ministerial Relief Fund, which was adopted. See Document F.

The conference adjourned at 10 o'clock for the annual meeting of the Home Missionary Society.

At 11:30 the conference reconvened and time was granted to Secretary Rice to answer questions regarding the Annuity Fund.

The nominating committee presented the following names and the persons named were elected:

For Committee on Evangelism—Rev. Archibald Hadden, Rev. Mac H. Wallace, Rev. Irving W. Stuart.

Delegates to the triennial convention of the Chicago Theological Seminary were elected as follows: Rev. Archibald Hadden, Rev. J. Percival Huget, Rev. C. B. Emerson, Rev. Victor F. Brown, Rev. Augustine Jones, Rev. N. S. Bradley. Rev. Mac H. Wallace was elected examiner.

The session closed with benediction by Rev. J. Percival Huget.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 14

Conference convened at 2 p. m. Worship was conducted by the chaplain, Rev. Augustine Jones of South Haven.

A solo was rendered by Mrs. Caroline Heth.

Rev. H. W. Hunt presented the report of the Committee on Necrology. See Document G.

The Lord's Supper was celebrated, Rev. J. Percival Huget and Rev. Augustine Jones officiating. An offering for Ministerial Relief was taken amounting to \$20.26. The communion season was closed with prayer and benediction by Rev. J. Percival Huget.

The conference then took up the business of the afternoon.

The Committee on Resolutions reported. See Document H. The resolutions were adopted by a rising vote.

The nominating committee presented the names of Rev. H. W. Hunt, Rev. H. S. Mills, Rev. Wm. Wiedenhoeft as the Committee on Necrology, and the persons named were elected.

Rev. W. S. Steensma for the committee on the Detroit Association Recommendation presented the following resolution which was adopted: "Resolved, That we urge each pastor upon the removal of members of his parish, to send their names to the pastor of the parish into which they have moved, and that we authorize the state superintendent to furnish blank forms for these letters of introduction to the pastors of the state. Resolved, That we pledge our co-operation to the pastors at the educational centers of the state and that we urge each member of the conference to send them the names of such young people as contemplate entering same. Signed, F. M. Sheldon, E. W. Bishop, W. S. Steensma."

Five minutes were granted to Rev. Walter Waltman, representative of the Anti-Saloon League, who addressed the conference.

It was voted that the board of trustees be instructed to publish in leaflet form for circulation among the churches, the substance of Superintendent Sutherland's report and the encouraging facts brought out at the meeting of the conference.

It was voted that the executive committee be instructed to confer with the president of the W. H. M. U. and the president of the W. B. M. I. regarding the advisability of holding a joint annual meeting, and report at the next meeting of the conference.

Rev. E. W. Bishop was elected moderator and Rev. W. J. Campbell was elected assistant moderator.

The following visiting gentlemen were made corresponding members: Rev. Charles R. Brown, New Haven, Conn., Moderator of the National Council; Mr. Frank W. Hodgdon, Winchester, Mass.; Rev. W. A. Rice, Secretary of the Congregational Board of Ministerial Relief; Rev. R. L. Breed, Assistant Secretary C. H. M. S.; Rev. Ozora S. Davis, President of the Chicago Theological Seminary; Rev. Henry A. Atkinson, National Secretary, Boston, Mass.

A vote of thanks was tendered to Superintendent J. W. Sutherland for his pains in preparing the excellent and encouraging report on the State of the Churches.

Rev. Reuben L. Breed addressed the conference on "The Strategy of Home Missions." Rev. Ozora S. Davis addressed the conference on "The Conquering Church."

The session closed with benediction by Superintendent J. W. Sutherland.

THURSDAY EVENING, MAY 14

The conference was called to order at 7:45 o'clock by the moderator, Rev. H. S. Mills.

The minutes were read and approved.

The retiring moderator then introduced the new moderator, Rev. E. W. Bishop, who took the chair.

Rev. Reuben L. Breed of New York gave a demonstration of an Ellis Island examination of immigrants.

Following this a demonstration of the religious use of motion pictures upon the Park Church apparatus was conducted by the pastor of the church, Rev. E. W. Bishop. The films used were in illustration of Pilgrims Progress.

Rev. E. W. Bishop pronounced the benediction and the conference adjourned to meet at Traverse City in 1915.

H. S. MILLS, Moderator.

E. R. LATHAM, Scribe.

R. T. CALDWELL, Assistant Scribe.

[Document A]

REPORT ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCHES

The sources of information upon which this report is based are the annual statistical reports for the year book, the annual church letters prepared to be read at the local associations and then passed on to the state registrar, a large and steady correspondence by the superintendent with pastors and churches, an extensive experience on the field by the superintendent, the General Missionary and the Sunday School Missionary, and last a list of 22 main and 22 subsidiary questions which was mailed to every pastor in the state April 15 and which, with about ten exceptions, was returned to the Lansing office, with most of the questions carefully answered.

The abiding impression received from a careful study of this large body of information is that Michigan Congregationalism has emerged from its winter of discouragement and discontent and is enjoying a season of fine spring weather that is calling willing workers into the field and giving promise in due time of a great harvest. The budding confidence which was so pronounced a feature at our last annual meeting, has developed during the year into a robust and radiant optimism. The general impression is that our chariot wheels are no longer stuck in the mire but are rolling along on solid ground. It goes without saying that the discouraging features have not all been eliminated, but our pastors and churches are not so obsessed by them as formerly. In answer to the question, "What is the most discouraging feature of your work?" the difficulties mentioned may fairly be summed up under the following enumeration: Competition among denominations; a few persons who want to run things; failure on the part of the church officials to do their duty; too many fraternal organizations; automobiles; Sunday baseball; the financial problem; the rush of so many things. On the other hand a large number of pastors toss the question lightly aside with such answers as these: Nothing to discourage here; have not looked for any such thing; this question ought to be crossed out; nothing, unless it be the world, the flesh and the devil; we have overcome the most discouraging features; we permit nothing to discourage; sunshine takes all my clouds away so I have nothing to discourage me.

One reason for the optimism expressed by many pastors is the rediscovery of the worth of the church by many people. The following testimony is typical: Increased attendance at regular services; improved spiritual atmosphere; general religious awakening; a growing interest in the life of the spirit, in the reality of the unseen, in community uplift, in real religion. This general religious awakening and renewed interest in the church gave zest to Go-to-Church-Sunday. The movement was quite general throughout the state. In some places it failed because of the weather. Some pastors wrote: "Go-to-Church-Sunday came on the stormiest day of the winter when it was impossible to get out." In one village church it was a total failure because, as the pastor said, "the mud was from eight to 24 inches deep, three rods wide, 40 miles long and six weeks old." But notwithstanding the weather, many churches were crowded—some were unable to accommodate the crowds. Different opinions are expressed regarding

the permanent value of the movement. A few pastors say there is no perceptible benefit aside from the larger attendance of the day. Others say one or two families who were estranged were brought back and have resumed their active church life; but the majority of pastors bear testimony to a permanent benefit, not only in greatly increased attendance, but also in a general quickening of interest in the life and work of the church.

This reawakened interest in the church may account for the checking of a tendency noticed last year to give up the second Sunday service. Aside from the rural and village churches where two or more churches are united under the care of one pastor, the established order is: for the morning, public worship and Sunday school, for the evening, young people's meeting and public worship. In a few instances a vesper service takes the place of the evening service. There is a marked tendency to popularize the evening service by special music and the discussion of various phases of social christianity. In illustrating and visualizing these subjects, large use has been made of book reviews and the stereopticon. Sixty reports have been received where book reviews have been given with good results. Among the books are such classics as *Les Miserables*, *Vanity Fair*, *Tale of Two Cities*, Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde, *Merchant of Venice*, *Pippa Passes*, *Quo Vadis*. Other books range over a large variety of subjects, such as, the transforming powers of the gospel, unjust arraignment of the church, the church of today and tomorrow, the romance of missions, the game of being glad, present day theology, great hymns and hymn writers. The book that received the largest attention was *The Inside of the Cup*. About one pastor in six reports the use of the stereopticon. A very few use it every evening in season; others every two weeks, every four weeks, once a quarter and on special occasions. Those pastors who make the most frequent use of it report increased interest and attendance. The most signal success attending the use of it has been in Park Church, Grand Rapids, where a regular congregation has been built up from nothing to about 600.

Another reason for optimism is the special interest manifested in the Sunday school and among the young people. At the last annual meeting we reported the largest increase in Sunday school enrollment that had taken place in a single year since 1895. The past year has registered another large increase—1,441. There has also been manifested a growing interest in the grading of schools. Eighty-six graded schools are reported by pastors and many more are reported as partially graded. This grading has not been confined to the large city churches with their adequate buildings, but has been adopted as far as practicable, by many schools in small towns and even by some country schools. In some instances it is necessary to overflow into adjacent buildings and homes. With this grading of the school has come a noticeable improvement in the quality of Sunday school helps used. There has also been a growing sense of responsibility to the surrounding community which has found expression in the establishment of branch Sunday schools. Twenty churches report the maintenance of 31 branch schools with an enrollment ranging from 20 to 150. In addition to these schools that are under the direct oversight of neighboring churches, there are others so placed as to form connecting links between the isolated country churches. The present number of branch schools is 56 with an enrollment of 2,121.

Young people's organizations are rapidly multiplying. Many Sunday school classes are organized with a full corps of officers and are doing much of the work formerly done by the Endeavor Society—in some instances much more. Other organizations are Boy Scouts, Boy's Clubs, Junior Brotherhoods, Baraca, Philathea, Camp Fire Girls, King's Daughters, etc. A hopeful feature of these organizations is that they are not content simply with promoting their own social life but are showing a practical interest in the activities and welfare of the church. Our pastors report the following varied service to their credit: Installing lights in the church and parsonage; finishing the church basement; helping with current expenses; giving systematically to missions; decorating the church; buying hymn books for the Sunday school; raising money to paint the parsonage; furnishing transportation for the pastor on Sunday to his out-stations; buying a communion set; raising a large part of the church debt, etc. The pastor of one church with a membership of over 500 writes that his young people have been thoroughly organized and are doing much of the work of the church that is usually done by an assistant pastor. Pastors also testify that much of the increased interest in church attendance is due to the young people. One pastor of a small church who had given up his evening service writes that 30 young people waited on him with the request that the services be resumed, and by the faithful attendance and influence of these young people a good congregation has been maintained. In answer to the question, "What is the most encouraging feature of your work?" many pastors reply, "Our Sunday school and young people."

Another reason for optimism is a great increase of interest among the men. During the year more than 1,500 new names were added to the Brotherhood rolls. Many of these men are also uniting with the church. Statistics show that for every two women in the church there is only one man. But the men are gaining on the women. For the last four years the proportion of male to female members in our churches has steadily risen. Last year there was a net loss in female membership, we are sorry to say, but there was a net gain in male membership. At the beginning of this year there were more male members in our Michigan churches than ever before. What do these men find to do in the church? A long list of helpful service is placed to their credit as follows: Helping the women—one pastor writes, "One division of our Ladies' Aid is composed of men"; raising money, boosting the church work, maintaining lecture courses, getting under the Sunday school, putting up sheds, organizing bees for help in the community, maintaining a men's chorus, meeting as a gymnasium club, maintaining a class for discussing social questions and the application of Christianity to our times, controlling the social life of our town, dominating civic affairs, exerting a power in uplifting men, backing the evening service and doing what social work the pastor asks of them.

With this quickened religious interest among the young people and the men there has been a corresponding development of social life. The church is becoming more of a social center. Under its auspices are being carried on sleigh rides, camping parties, athletics, class and club banquets, dinners and suppers in homes, all-day socials for men and women in the country, monthly dinners given by the Ladies' Aid, and annual suppers given by the men. Much of the building and re-

building that is going on, even in the small country churches, is for the purpose of providing more adequate accommodations for social life, especially the social life of the young people. Here and there is a church with a social spirit so highly developed that there is no need to make special provision to cultivate it. One pastor writes, "Occasionally we have a supper for social purposes, but as a general thing we mingle our sociability with our work. I think we are most sociable after our Sunday service." Yet this pastor has recently had his chapel fitted up for a gymnasium which is used every week by a half dozen clubs composed of men and women, boys and girls. One pastor whose church is most highly organized says, "Every department of the church is supposed to hold socials; sometimes at the church, sometimes at homes. On an average we hold a social three times a month." A small village church with an unusually large plot of ground is giving the use of part of its yard to the town for a public play ground. In all these instances where provision is made for wholesome social life the pastors report deepened spiritual interest and large additions to the church.

The one feature of the church over which no one grows very enthusiastic is the mid-week meeting. This does not seem to be from any lack of interest in providing a varied and helpful program, as witness the following characteristics: Bible study; study of Sunday school lesson; religious topics; evangelistic services; Christian Endeavor Hand Book subjects; teacher training; study of the Kingdom by Stead; timely topics presented by competent people in the community; discussion of the books of the Bible; praise and religious conversation; prayer and Bible exposition; talks by the pastor on Christian beliefs, on the great hymns, on ethical systems in relation to Christianity, etc. Several pastors say the prayer meeting was given up because it was a dismal failure. Others say the attendance is never large, but the meetings are always helpful to the few who regularly attend. Others report an increased attendance and deepened interest. One pastor whose program consists of prayer and Bible exposition speaks of the meetings as being delightful and helpful, "because everyone who comes is tactfully made to participate." But as a general thing, how to make the mid-week meeting largely helpful to the church is regarded as an unsolved problem.

Turning now from general to specific statements we note a year of considerable activity in the line of material improvements; repairs have been reported on 52 churches in sums ranging from \$500 downward. For larger amounts are the following: Crystal, finishing basement, \$600; St. Johns, new hardwood floor, \$700; Atlanta, completion of church, \$800; Watervliet, finished basement, \$800; Port Sanilac, damage by lightning repaired, \$800; Lansing Pilgrim, steam plant, \$1,300; Rockford, church moved and basement finished, \$1,600; Ludington, repairs and furnishings, \$1,600; Kalamazoo, heating plant and bell, \$1,900; Ypsilanti, redecorating and recarpeting, \$2,000; Park Church, Grand Rapids, repairs, \$2,000; Brewster, Detroit, reconstructed chapel, \$2,500; Benzonia church enlarged, \$2,500; Morenci, new parsonage, \$3,000; Wyandotte, new parsonage, \$4,500; South Church, Grand Rapids, basement finished, \$5,000; Boulevard, Detroit, new chapel and gymnasium, \$22,000; Benton Harbor, church remodeled and enlarged, \$45,000. The increased value of property is reported as \$132,350; the

increased amount of debt as \$21,679. This would indicate that 85 per cent of the improvements were paid for.

The dropping of churches which has been an annual feature of our work for some years, owing to the reconstruction that has been taking place in many parts of the state, has not occurred this year. On the other hand some churches that have for some time seemed ready to die have been revived and are giving good promise of becoming again strong and useful. Since our last annual meeting four churches have been organized, Au Gres, a German church in Arenac county with 80 members, not yet in fellowship with a local association; Eden in Benzie county, with 50 members, in fellowship with the Grand Traverse association; Rock Lake in Montcalm county, with 14 members, in fellowship with the Lansing association, and Thornville in Lapeer county, with 20 members, in fellowship with the Detroit association. The three last named churches were the outgrowth of branch Sunday schools and out-preaching stations that have been maintained for some time. Their organization into churches will not only strengthen them, but will also strengthen the churches with which they are yoked.

The contributions from the churches under the apportionment plan are as follows:

		Increase	Decrease
American Board	\$6,360	\$771	....
Women's Board	6,920	862	....
Education Society	1,197	312	....
Church Building Society.....	1,563	....	\$473
Home Missions, including Detroit and G. R. City Unions.....	19,010	1,533
A. M. A.....	2,918	292
Sunday School	2,224	394
Ministerial Relief	1,363	278
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Total	\$41,555	\$2,597
Other Congregational Benevolence	18,406	4,483
Undenominational	6,296	\$1,370
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Grand total	\$66,257	\$5,710

While we are still a long way from the goal which we set for our churches it is very encouraging to know that we have made such a substantial advance. The misunderstanding which beset the apportionment plan for a few years seems to have been pretty generally removed and the churches are giving evidence, as a rule, of trying to adjust themselves to the new order. Thirty-five churches report an every member canvass, in nearly every instance with a special increase in giving.

With an increase in building, in home expenses and in benevolence, it is a satisfaction to note also an increase in salaries. Twenty-eight pastors report an increase in sums ranging from \$25 to \$300. The average salary for the state has been raised from \$930 to \$971 per minister.

The pastoral changes during the year have been rather more than usual but no serious loss has occurred because of extended vacancies in the pastorate. The following pastors have removed from the state:

S. D. Wellwood to Ohio; W. H. Ripon to Minnesota; Mandus Barrett to Minnesota; C. E. Robinson to Illinois; A. F. Skeele to California; C. T. Patchell to Arizona; M. F. Scouten to Ohio; G. A. Walker has transferred his membership to the Presbyterian church. The following pastors have removed from other states to Michigan: J. F. Bushnell from Chicago to St. Joseph; A. S. Fraser from Wisconsin to Oak Park, Traverse City; A. W. Hutchins from Illinois to Charlotte; T. R. McRoberts, a former Michigan pastor, from Ohio to First Church, Port Huron; J. H. Butler from Ohio to Mancelona; F. W. Bates from Arkansas to Ovid; A. D. Blakeslee from Ohio to Grand Junction; C. B. Emerson from Maine to North Woodward Church, Detroit; W. H. Skentelbury, Jr., from Iowa to Portland.

The loss in our ministerial ranks by death has been much heavier than usual. There have been taken from us, Rev. Alexander Thomson, Rev. G. A. Pollard, Rev. Jesse Povey, Rev. Doane R. Atkins, Rev. W. B. Williams, Rev. Wm. H. Warren, Rev. Albro G. Gates, and Rev. Parvin M. France. Fitting reference to the character and life work of these departed comrades will be presented by the committee on necrology.

In closing this report your attention is called to one further reason for optimism. Since the beginning of the year the additions to church membership have been unusually large. For the first four months of the year there were received on confession four-fifths as many persons as were received on confession during the entire year of 1913. For the same period there were received by letter one-half as many as were received by letter for the whole of last year. If this rate is maintained for the following eight months, the year 1914 will become memorable as the great year of ingathering—the largest ingathering for nearly a score of years.

Is there any further hint from the communications of our pastors that will enable us to attain a higher degree of efficiency? The question was asked of them, "Anything new that works?" The answers given revealed no purpose to resort to the superficial or the spectacular; many references were made to methods successfully employed in solving local problems; one answer, however, was of so inclusive a character that it may well form the closing word of this report: "Anything new that works? Yes; new creatures in Christ Jesus beat anything I have found for getting results. Renewed manhood alone will solve our problems."

J. W. SUTHERLAND,
Registrar and Superintendent.

[Document B]

REPORT OF TREASURER

From January 10, 1913, to January 14, 1914, at which time the books were closed for the fiscal year of 1913.

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand January 11, 1913..... \$1,682.59

Home Missions:—

From Churches, Sunday Schools, etc.....	\$10,737.53
" W. H. M. U. Churches.....	4,168.54
" W. H. M. U. Interest.....	410.30
" C. H. M. S. 85 per cent Receipts.....	248.11
" Grand Rapids City Union.....	61.00
" Mrs. L. A. H. Childs Fund, Interest.....	80.41
" Nashville Church Fund, Interest.....	75.00
" Jubilee Fund, Interest	250.00
" C. L. Ford Fund, Interest and Avails.....	578.34
" Mrs. Louise Bartlett Fund, Interest.....	269.00
" George Parsons Bequest	1,000.00
" Personal Gifts	440.00
	18,318.23

Ministerial Relief:—

From Churches, Sunday Schools, etc.....	\$940.78
" Local Associations and State Conference.....	229.29
" Matured Bonds	2,500.00
" Interest on Invested Funds.....	520.00
" Miscellaneous Sources and Anonymous Gifts.....	105.00
	4,295.07

Sunday School Missions:—

From Churches, Sunday Schools, etc.....	\$2,270.75
" W. H. M. U.....	20.00
" Individual Gifts	50.00
" Refund by C. S. S. & P. S. Advance to S. S. Missionary	672.19
	3,012.94

Michigan Congregational Extension Fund:—

From Individual Gifts ranging from \$1 to \$50.....	\$345.00
" Mrs. I. P. Griswold.....	500.00
" Mrs. F. A. Diggins.....	3,000.00
" Mayflower Church, Lansing, Repaid Loan.....	30.00
" Ironwood Church, Repaid Loan.....	170.00
" Sale of Mio Property	108.88
" Kent Estate	250.50
	4,404.38

General Expense	2,262.87
General Ledger—Offerings Received for Transmission.....	1,306.81
Library Fund	5.00
Institute Fund	191.41
Benzonia Academy—Avails from Matured Bonds.....	1,855.07
L. A. H. Childs Fund—Avails from Matured Bonds.....	1,544.59
C. L. Ford Fund—Avails from Matured Bonds.....	521.66
	\$39,400.62

DISBURSEMENTS

Grants to Home Missionary Pastors.....	\$8,816.21
Congregational Home Miss. Society, 15 per cent Receipts.....	2,198.09
Ministerial Relief Beneficiaries	990.00
Repairs on Old Mission Property.....	31.44
Michigan Congregational Extension Fund	1,479.57
C. S. S. & P. S. on Contract.....	904.76
Office Rent	240.00
Postage, Express, Telephone, etc.....	400.86
Printing and Stationery	632.81
National Council Tax	978.84
Pastors' Institute Fund	150.85
Benzonia Academy Fund—Bought Bonds.....	1,507.08
Interest Benzonia Academy Fund.....	300.00
Ministerial Relief Fund—Bought Bonds.....	2,572.50
L. A. H. Childs Fund—Bought Bonds.....	1,544.59
C. L. Ford Fund—Bought Bonds.....	516.66
C. L. Ford Fund—Taxes on Chicago Lots.....	5.00
General Ledger—Offerings Received for Transmission.....	1,276.15
Interest	25.50
Salary Superintendent	2,500.00
Salary General Missionary	1,200.00
Salary S. S. Missionary.....	1,100.00
Salary Stenographer	780.00
Traveling Expense Superintendent	401.33
Traveling Expense General Missionary.....	510.00
Traveling Expense S. S. Missionary.....	300.00
Traveling Expense Trustees and Executive Committee.....	292.91
Miscellaneous Items—General Expense	611.74
Miscellaneous Items—Home Missions	612.63
Cash on Hand	6,521.22
	\$39,400.62

CONDITION OF WORKING FUNDS

	Overdrawn	Balance
Home Missions	\$3,723.36	
General Expense	1,363.07	
Sunday School		\$758.92
Ministerial Relief		3,508.89
Benzonia Academy		1,422.66
Institute Fund		56.85
Library Fund		96.08
Michigan Congregational Extension Fund.....		4,833.59
Bills Payable		400.00
Pending Account		30.66
Filer City Church Fund		500.00
Cash on Hand	\$5,086.43	
		6,521.22
		\$11,607.65 \$11,607.65

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

Rev. Bastian Smits, President of the Board of Trustees of the Michigan Congregational Conference:

I hereby certify that I have checked the book of original entry by comparing all bank deposits and all checks therefrom individually with the entries on the book. Have also verified the additions and balance and find same to be correct.

I have also fully checked the posting from this book to the ledger and have checked the ledger accounts with the trial balance of January 14, 1914, and find the entries correct and the books in perfect balance.

Very truly yours,

T. ROGERS LYONS.

Dated May 8, 1914.

INVENTORY OF TRUST FUNDS

JUBILEE FUND

The Jubilee Fund of \$5,000 was constituted by the Board of Trustees of the Michigan Congregational Association from bequest of Mrs. C. L. Ford, of Ann Arbor, with stipulation in bequest that the proceeds thereof should be used for the cause of Home Missions in Michigan. This fund is invested in Jackson (Mich.) Gas Company Bonds Nos. 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, \$1,000 each. Due 1937, interest 5 per cent, payable April 1 and November 1.

C. L. FORD FUND

The C. L. Ford Fund was constituted by the Board of Trustees of the Michigan Congregational Association from bequest of Corydon L. Ford of Ann Arbor, which made the association residuary legatee and placed no restrictions upon the use of the proceeds. This fund is invested as follows:

Duluth, Rainy Lake and Winnipeg Railroad Bond, No. 52, for \$1,000, due January 1, 1916, interest 5 per cent, payable July 1 and January 1.

Flint (Mich.) Gas Company Bond, No. 120, \$500, due November 1, 1924, interest 5 per cent, payable May 1 and November 1.

School District No. 9, of the Parish of Natchitoches, La., Bond, No. 90, \$500, interest 5 per cent, payable March 1 and September 1.

Jackson (Mich.) Gas Company Bonds, Nos. 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, and 240, \$1,000 each, due 1937, interest 5 per cent, payable April 1 and October 1.

Five house-lots at Des Plaines, Ill., of very little present value. Responsible parties acquainted with the property advise holding the same for a possible increase.

A house and lot in Detroit sold to Clark Sackett on contract on which there is due a balance of \$1,156.82.

MINISTERIAL RELIEF FUND

The Ministerial Relief Fund was constituted by the Board of Trustees from the bequest of \$5,000 by Mrs. C. L. Ford of Ann Arbor. This was subsequently increased by further bequest of C. L. Ford of Ann Arbor, and has grown by the surplus of receipts over disbursements. This fund is invested as follows:

Grand Rapids (Mich.) Gas Company Bond, No. 741, \$1,000, due February 1, 1915, interest 5 per cent, payable February 1 and August 1.

Jackson (Mich.) Gas Company Bonds, Nos. 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, \$1,000 each, due 1937, interest 5 per cent, payable April 1 and October 1.

School District No. 9, of the Parish of Natchitoches, La., Bond No. 91, \$500, interest 5 per cent, payable March 1 and September 1.

Medina County, Texas, District No. 4, Road Bonds, Nos. 11 and 12, \$1,000 each, interest 5 per cent, payable April 10.

A mortgage on real estate in the city of Lansing for \$1,100.

A balance of \$3,508.89 is carried to the credit of this fund on our books.

BENZONIA ACADEMY FUND

The Benzonia Academy Fund was constituted by the gift of Miss Emily B. Dickinson, of Romeo, to the Michigan Congregational Association in the interest of Benzonia Academy under the terms which are given in document in our possession. The bonds in which this fund was invested matured February 1, 1911. This fund is invested as follows:

Medina County, Texas, District No. 4, Road Bond, No. 14, \$1,000, interest 5 per cent, payable April 10.

School District No. 9 of the Parish of Natchitoches, La., Bond No. 93, \$500, interest 5 per cent, payable March 1 and September 1.

Mortgage on property in city of Lansing, \$2,000.

The balance of \$1,500 is carried to the credit of the fund on our books.

MRS. L. A. H. CHILDS FUND

The Mrs. L. A. H. Childs Fund was constituted by the Trustees of the Michigan Home Missionary Society from the bequest of Mrs. L. A. H. Childs, of Whittaker, Michigan. While the use of this fund is not restricted, it was the desire of the donor and has been the purpose of the trustees, to treat this as a permanent fund, the proceeds of which should be used for Home Missions. This fund is invested as follows:

Medina County, Texas, District No. 4, Road Bond, No. 13, \$1,000, interest 5 per cent, payable April 1.

School District No. 9 of the Parish of Natchitoches, La., Bond No. 92, \$500, interest 5 per cent, payable March 1 and September 1.

NASHVILLE CHURCH PROPERTY FUND

The Nashville Church property fund was constituted by the Trustees of the Michigan Home Missionary Society under the terms of contract (in our possession in duplicate) with the trustees of the Nashville Congregational Church upon the dissolution of that organization making the trustees of the Home Missionary Society custodians in trust for a term of fifteen years from July 27, 1906, with the proviso that should a Congregational Church be organized in Nashville within that time, the money should revert to the newly organized church and that at the expiration of the fifteen years the money should be the property of the Michigan Home Missionary Society. During the fifteen years the proceeds are to be used in the interest of Home Missions. This fund is invested in Flint (Mich.) Gas Company Bonds, Nos. 83, 113, 119, \$500 each, due November 1, 1924, interest 5 per cent, payable May 1 and November 1.

FILER CITY CHURCH FUND

This fund was constituted by the Filer City Congregational Church transferring to the Michigan Congregational Conference \$500 in cash with the understanding that should said church be revived and continued sometime in the future, the \$500, less amount paid by the

Michigan Congregational Conference in the meantime for insurance and repairs on the property, will be returned to the church. The amount is carried on our books to the credit of the fund.

MICHIGAN CONGREGATIONAL EXTENSION FUND

This fund was created by the Michigan Congregational Conference at the annual meeting held in Port Huron May 16-18, 1911, and is administered by the Trustees of the Michigan Congregational Conference, subject to the following conditions:

1. The fund shall be used exclusively for the initiation of new work in the State of Michigan and for the strengthening of old work in such strategic places in the state as may be deemed wise by the trustees.

2. It shall only be used for the erection of churches or parsonages or for the purchase of real estate on which it is purposed to erect such buildings.

3. Real estate purchased by the trustees from this fund may be sold to local churches, but only upon such terms as will fully reimburse the fund, and all deferred payments must be satisfactorily secured, either by land contract or by first mortgage upon the real estate sold.

4. No loan shall be made to any church either for the purchase of real estate or for the erection of a building, unless repayment of such loan is secured by a first mortgage upon real estate of a value at least 50 per cent greater than the amount of the loan.

5. Any part of the fund not in use shall be invested in approved securities and all interest on such securities and on loans or advances made from the fund shall be added to said fund.

6. The mortgages referred to in conditions "3" and "4" may be made subject to a first mortgage of the Congregational Church Building Society, but to no other encumbrances.

The outstanding loans from this fund are as follows: Mayflower Church, Lansing, \$2,800; Oak Park Church, Traverse City, \$500; Atlanta Church, \$200; Platte Lake Chapel, \$50. A balance of \$4,833.59 is carried to the credit of this fund on our books.

REAL ESTATE

Property at Old Mission, Michigan, occupied by Rev. Leroy Warren, D.D., formerly Superintendent of Home Missions in Michigan. Appraised at \$1,200. Filer City Church property, \$500; Benzonia, house and lot, \$800.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR HOME MISSIONS FROM CHURCHES IN DETAIL

The amounts in the first column are the apportionments assigned by the Conference Apportionment Plan Committee to the individual churches for the year 1914. The amounts in the second column indicate the offerings of the individual churches for the year ending December 31, 1913. One star (*) indicates that the church met its apportionment in full. Two stars (**) indicate that the church exceeded its 1913 apportionment.

Cheboygan Association

Churches	1914 Amt. Appor- tioned	1913 Amt. Con- tributed
Alba	\$30.00	\$22.54
Atlanta	10.00	.....
Bellaire	20.00	27.73
Big Rock	10.00	.....
Central Lake ..	25.00	14.00
Charlevoix	125.00	**125.00
Cheboygan	125.00	118.18
Eastport	4.00	*4.00
Echo	10.00	4.00
Ellsworth	15.00	.....
Gaylord	55.00	45.95
Ironton	25.00	18.00
Johannesburg ..	25.00	*25.00
Kalkaska	30.00	9.76
Lewiston	18.00	*18.00
Mancelona	55.00	13.00
Rondo	5.00	.....
Vanderbilt	40.00	**41.75
Wolverine	35.00	25.56
Total	\$662.00	\$512.47

Detroit Association

Detroit, First	†\$2,200.00	†**\$2,211.25
“ N. Wood- ward Ave.	†1,700.00	†**2,187.09
“ Fort Street ..	†175.00	†150.00
“ Mt. Hope..	†35.00	†**40.00
“ Brewster ..	†310.00	160.00
“ Boulevard..	†95.00	†**145.00
“ Highland Park	†45.00	25.00
“ Oakwood ..	10.00	.....
Dundee	20.00	**35.00
Flat Rock	25.00	*25.00
Maybee	15.00	**17.00
Metamora	15.00	10.75
Newport	10.00	*10.00
Oxford	30.00	*30.00
Pontiac	100.00	*100.00
Rochester	30.00	.....
Rockwood	10.00	*10.00
Royal Oak	20.00	3.00
Utica	10.00	**8.34
Wayne	50.00	.....
Wyandotte	50.00	27.00
Total	\$4,955.00	\$5,194.43

†Includes the Detroit City Union.

Eastern Association

Churches	1914 Amt. Appor- tioned	1913 Amt. Con- tributed
Almont	\$90.00	\$68.32
Armaida	75.00	.....
Carsonville	15.00	*15.00
Chesterfield	13.00	**13.07
Columbus	70.00	**75.00
Imlay City.....	80.00	67.00
Memphis	21.00	*21.00
New Baltimore..	21.00	3.00
New Haven	15.00	**23.51
Pt. Huron, 1st..	450.00	*450.00
“ 24th St. ...	9.00	*9.00
“ Ross Mem'l	15.00	.....
“ Sturges Memorial	20.00	10.00
Port Sanilac	13.00	*10.00
Richmond	45.00	*45.00
Romeo	150.00	97.00
St. Clair	250.00	**251.68
Total	\$1,352.00	\$1,158.58

Genesee Association

Bancroft	\$45.00	\$35.00
Deerfield	8.00	.....
Durand	20.00	**27.00
Flint	90.00	74.92
Grand Blanc ...	45.00	*45.00
Hartland	12.00	*12.00
Highland	20.00	*20.00
Laingsburg	45.00	**50.00
Linden	5.00	**5.50
Ovid	69.00	*60.00
Owosso	180.00	106.20
Perry	34.00	*34.00
St. Johns	112.00	*112.00
Shaftsbury	12.00	8.00
Tyrone	12.00	.....
Vernon	22.00	*22.00
Victor	22.00	*22.00
Total	\$744.00	\$633.62

Gladstone Association

Cooks	\$5.00	**\$5.00
Fayette	7.00	*7.00
Garden	15.00	10.00
Gladstone	9.00	.....

Gladstone Association—Continued

	1914	1913
Churches	Amt. Appor- tioned	Amt. Con- tributed
Isabella	\$3.00	.....
Rapid River	40.00	**\$40.00
Wells	25.00	.....
Total	\$104.00	\$62.00

Grand Rapids Association

Ada, 1st	\$30.00	\$25.00
Allendale	30.00	*30.00
Alpine, Trinity..	40.00	21.65
Bass River	7.00	2.55
Bradley	18.00	15.00
Cannon	40.00	*40.00
Cannonsburg	3.00	*3.00
Cedar Springs....	10.00	*10.00
Clarksville	20.00	**25.00
Conklin	45.00	*45.00
Corinth	12.00	**19.81
Douglas	22.00	*22.00
East Nelson	3.00	.....
East Paris	20.00	**28.00
Elmdale	5.00	*5.00
Freeport	20.00	.....
Gd. Rapids, 1st..	†1,380.00	†1,380.00
" Second	†75.00	†**100.00
" South	†185.00	†**180.00
" Smith Mem.	†35.00	†**39.50
" Plymouth	†75.00	†**92.00
" East	†30.00	†**10.00
" Wallin	†35.00	†**40.00
" Comstock Park	20.00	**21.60
Grandville	30.00	**46.00
Howard City	35.00	18.00
Hudsonville	38.00	33.60
Jenison	10.00	3.89
Johnstown and Barry	10.00	.....
Lowell	70.00	30.00
Middleville	16.00	8.30
Moline	45.00	**57.50
Rockford	35.00	25.00
Saugatuck	45.00	10.00
South Boston....	20.00	10.00
Wayland	25.00	2.30
Total	\$2,234.00	\$2,399.70

†Includes the Grand Rapids City Union.

Grand Traverse Association

Benzonia	\$260.00	\$200.35
Buckley	22.00	20.50
Cedar	7.00	.....
Champion Hill..	10.00	.....
East Lake	10.00	.....
Frankfort	25.00	20.00
Gilmore	5.00	*5.00
Homestead	18.00	1.00
Honor	23.00	*23.00
Lake Ann	7.00	*7.00
Manistee	175.00	139.74

Grand Traverse Association—Continued

	1914	1913
Churches	Amt. Appor- tioned	Amt. Con- tributed
Northport	\$60.00	**\$60.00
Old Mission	25.00	5.50
Omena	14.00	*14.00
Onekema	14.00	*14.00
Pleasanton	3.00	.....
Sherman	14.00	.....
Suttons Bay	14.00	5.00
Thompsonville	23.00	**38.38
Trav. City, 1st..	200.00	60.00
" Oak Park..	14.00	3.75
Total	\$943.00	\$617.22

Jackson Association

Ann Arbor	\$500.00	**\$525.00
Chelsea	90.00	75.00
Delhi Mills .....	.....	22.25
Dexter	14.00	**20.00
Grass Lake	65.00	**75.00
Hamburg	10.00	5.00
Jackson, 1st	400.00	**400.25
" Plymouth..	65.00	**67.00
Leslie	38.00	32.32
Mich. Center	13.00	4.00
Pinckney	35.00	20.00
Salem, 1st	35.00	27.00
" 2nd	14.00	*14.00
Sandstone	50.00	39.00
Union City	110.00	83.01
Webster	25.00	15.00
Ypsilanti	150.00	*150.00
Total	\$1,614.00	\$1,573.80

Kalamazoo Association

Athens	\$27.00	\$20.33
Alamo	21.00	**21.55
Allegan	90.00	60.00
Augusta	3.00	.....
Bangor, 1st	12.00	**21.00
" West	13.00	**13.65
Baroda	25.00	**27.00
Bedford	10.00	*10.00
Benton Harbor..	279.00	*279.00
Bridgman	10.00	*10.00
Coloma	18.00	*18.00
Constantine	90.00	**92.00
Cooper	30.00	*30.00
Covert	45.00	*45.00
Dowagiac	65.00	**88.00
Fredonia	3.00	.....
Galesburg	45.00	*45.00
Grand Junction..	20.00	*20.00
Hartford	10.00	.....
Hilliards	27.00	8.00
Hopkins, 1st	15.00	11.50
" 2nd	54.00	**56.53
Kalamazoo	450.00	296.90
Kendall	14.00	*14.00
Lawrence	18.00	11.00
Leonidas	22.00	*22.00
Leroy	22.00	*22.00

Kalamazoo Association—Continued

Churches	1914	1913
	Amt. Appor- tioned	Amt. Con- tributed
Mattawan	\$22.00	\$7.50
Otsego	50.00	37.09
St. Joseph	200.00	*200.00
Sawyer	10.00	.....
South Haven ..	150.00	117.93
Texas	5.00	*5.00
Three Oaks	250.00	**250.00
Vicksburg	27.00	.....
Watervliet	45.00	**47.40
Total	\$2,197.00	\$1,906.38

Lake Superior Association

Beacon Hill	\$2.00	*\$2.00
Calumet	300.00	248.00
Chassell	24.00	10.00
Hancock	270.00	121.66
Hubbell	20.00	*20.00
Lake Linden	35.00	**37.00
Red Jacket	60.00	50.00
Redridge	18.00	*18.00
Total	\$729.00	\$506.66

Lansing Association

Belding	\$50.00	\$14.80
Butternut	13.00	*13.00
Carmel	10.00	*10.00
Carson City	26.00	.....
Charlotte	150.00	61.52
Chester Station..	2.00	.....
Chippewa Lake..	15.00	*15.00
Coral	15.00	.....
Crystal	15.00	3.00
East Lansing	67.00	*36.00
Eaton Rapids	45.00	*45.00
Edmore	15.00	3.65
Fenwick	15.00	2.25
Grand Ledge	55.00	**60.00
Greenville	180.00	173.50
Lake Odessa	20.00	*20.00
Lakeview	30.00	8.81
Lansing, Plym...	450.00	*450.00
" Pilgrim	60.00	**52.16
" Mayflower..	15.00	*15.00
Millett	3.00	.....
Mulliken	25.00	20.00
Nevins Lake	3.00	.....
Olivet	250.00	121.48
Onondaga	20.00	16.50
Portland	45.00	30.27
Rodney	10.00	*10.00
Saranac	25.00	*25.00
Sheridan	23.00	*23.00
Shiloh	3.00	.....
Sidney	5.00	.....
Six Lakes	6.00	.....
Stanton	70.00	**72.50
Vermontville	60.00	**86.50
Waescosta	6.00	*6.00
Williamston	20.00	19.50
Total	\$1,822.00	\$1,414.44

Muskegon Association

Churches	1914	1913
	Amt. Appor- tioned	Amt. Con- tributed
Big Prairie	\$3.00	\$1.10
Fremont	70.00	*70.00
Fruitport	3.00	**3.50
Grand Haven ..	30.00	*30.00
Hart	70.00	*70.00
Muskegon, 1st ..	400.00	**405.24
" Highland Park	15.00	*15.00
" Jackson St.	5.00	.....
Newaygo	15.00	.....
Nunica	8.00	3.00
Shelby	70.00	15.00
White Cloud	15.00	.....
Whitehall	30.00	23.00
Total	\$734.00	\$635.84

North Central Association

Baldwin	\$18.00	\$13.31
Big Rapids, 1st.	90.00	45.00
Big Rapids Twp.	5.00	*5.00
Cadillac	180.00	*180.00
Chase	5.00	.71
Clare	45.00	30.50
Custer	18.00	*18.00
Farwell	18.00	5.00
Fern	3.00	.....
Harrison	25.00	20.00
Hersey	36.00	8.50
Ludington	225.00	190.69
Reed City	75.00	25.00
Total	\$743.00	\$541.71

Saginaw Association

Alpena	\$270.00	**\$270.00
Bay City	180.00	16.00
Breckenridge	45.00	39.75
Bridgeport	10.00	5.37
Essexville	20.00	3.50
Freeland	20.00	*20.00
Long Rapids	10.00	.....
Merrill	27.00	*27.00
Roscommon	20.00	**20.00
Saginaw, 1st	450.00	*440.00
" Genesee Ave.	20.00	*20.00
Standish	10.00	.....
Total	\$1,082.00	\$861.62

Sault Ste. Marie Association

Allenville	\$18.00	**\$18.00
Brimley	18.00	12.00
Drummond	3.00	.....
Mackinac Island	18.00	**20.00
Pine Grove	18.00	**20.50
Rosedale	8.00	*8.00
Total	\$83.00	\$78.50

Southern Association

Churches	1914	1913
	Amt. Appor- tioned	Amt. Con- tributed
Algansee	\$9.00	.....
Addison	18.00	**\$28.00
Batavia	3.00	*3.00
Bethel	3.00	.....
Bronson	18.00	.....
Clinton	200.00	175.00
East Gilead	9.00	5.00
Hudson	136.00	102.85
Jefferson	5.00	**7.01
Litchfield	110.00	74.50
Mattison	3.00	.....
Morenci	35.00	26.50
North Adams ..	50.00	40.00
Pittsford	30.00	*30.00
Prattville	20.00	.....
Ransom	25.00	22.00
Somerset	45.00	*45.00
Tipton	15.00	.....
West Adrian ...	40.00	**42.00
Wheatland	80.00	75.05
Total	\$854.00	\$675.91

Detroit City Union

Churches	1914	1913
	Amt. Appor- tioned	Amt. Con- tributed
Detroit, First	\$1,100.00
Detroit, N. Woodward	1,157.34
Detroit, Fort Street	50.00
Detroit, Mt. Hope	20.00
Detroit, Boulevard	100.00
Detroit, Polish	10.00
Total	\$2,437.34

Grand Rapids City Union

Gd. Rapids, Park	\$1,200.00
Gd. Rapids, South	135.00
Gd. Rapids, Plymouth	50.00
Gd. Rapids, Smith Mem'l	35.00
Gd. Rapids, Wallin	35.00
Gd. Rapids, Second	50.00
Gd. Rapids, East	5.00
Grandville	10.00
Total	\$1,520.00

DISBURSEMENTS FOR HOME MISSIONS**Cheboygan Association**

Alba	\$112.50
Atlanta and Big Rock.....	375.03
Eastport	200.00
Echo	200.00
Ellsworth	81.25
Ironton	75.00
Johannesburg	112.50
Lewiston	300.00
Total	\$1,456.28

Detroit Association

Dundee	\$49.98
Highland Park	500.00
Total	\$549.98

Eastern Association

Carsonville and Port Sanilac..	\$150.00
New Baltimore	25.00
Pt. Huron, Ross Memorial and 24th Street	541.67
Total	\$716.67

Genesee Association

Durand	\$74.97
Highland and Hartland.....	133.28
Total	\$208.25

Gladstone Association

Cooks and Isabella.....	\$112.50
Garden and Fayette.....	300.00
Rapid River	200.00
Total	\$612.50

Grand Rapids Association

Allendale and Bass River....	\$90.00
Conklin	150.00
Elmdale	75.00
Hudsonville	131.25
Total	\$446.25

Grand Traverse Association

Benzonia Twp. and Gilmore...	\$287.50
Buckley and Sherman.....	183.26
Cedar, Lake Ann and Maple City	218.70
Eden	62.50
Homestead and Honor.....	93.36
Traverse City, Oak Park.....	275.00
Total	\$1,120.32

Kalamazoo Association

Baroda	\$150.00
Bridgman	156.00
Grand Junction	153.09
Hartford	137.52
Total	\$596.61

Lake Superior Association

	1914	1913	
Churches	Amt. Appor-	Amt. Con-	tioned tributed
Beacon Hill and Redridge....	\$300.00		
Total	\$300.00		

Lansing Association

Chippewa Lake and Rodney...	\$150.00
Edmore, Six Lakes and Rock Lake	87.50
Lansing, Mayflower	391.68
Mulliken	81.20
Onondaga	150.00
Wacousta	60.41
Total	\$920.79

Muskegon Association

Muskegon, Highland Park and Jackson Street	\$8.33
Newaygo	38.89
White Cloud and Big Prairie..	45.00
Total	\$92.22

North Central Association

Baldwin	\$180.06
Custer and Fern.....	250.00
Harrison	51.03
Total	\$481.03

Saginaw Association

	1914	1913	
Churches	Amt. Appor-	Amt. Con-	tioned tributed
Essexville		\$191.66	
Long Rapids		65.62	
Merrill		150.00	
Roscommon		200.00	
Saginaw, Genesee St.....		300.00	
Total		\$907.28	

Sault Ste. Marie Association

Allenville and Brimley.....	\$173.25
Pine Grove and Rosedale	200.00
Total	\$373.25

Detroit City Union

Detroit, Polish	\$500.00
Detroit, Highland Park.....	300.00
Detroit, Mt. Hope.....	200.00
Miscellaneous	1,356.75
Total	\$2,356.75

Grand Rapids City Union

Grand Rapids, Wallin.....	\$450.00
Grand Rapids, Smith Memorial	450.00
Grand Rapids, East.....	375.00
Grandville	180.00
Michigan Cong'l Conference...	61.00
Total	\$1,516.00

HOME MISSIONARY GIFTS AND GRANTS BY ASSOCIATIONS

	Gifts	Grants
Cheboygan Association	\$512.47	\$1,456.28
Detroit Association	5,194.43	2,906.73
Eastern Association	1,158.58	716.67
Genesee Association	633.62	208.25
Gladstone Association	62.00	612.50
Grand Rapids Association	2,399.70	1,901.25
Grand Traverse Association	617.22	1,120.32
Jackson Association	1,573.80	.....
Kalamazoo Association	1,906.38	596.61
Lake Superior Association	506.66	300.00
Lansing Association	1,414.44	920.79
Muskegon Association	635.84	92.22
North Central Association.....	541.71	481.03
Saginaw Association	861.62	907.28
Sault Ste. Marie Association	78.50	373.25
Southern Association	675.91	.....

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR MINISTERIAL RELIEF FUND IN DETAIL

Addison	\$1.00	Benton Harbor	\$27.00
Alamo	2.00	Big Rapids, 1st.....	5.00
Allegan .....	.75	Breckenridge	2.25
Allendale	1.00	Butternut	1.00
Alpena	20.00	Cadillac	20.00
Ann Arbor	18.50	Calumet	29.00
Baroda	1.00	Cannon	2.00
Beacon Hill .....	.25	Cannonsburg	1.00

Champion Hill	\$1.00	Muskegon, 1st	\$50.00
Charlevoix	5.00	Muskegon, Highland Park....	1.00
Charlotte	5.00	North Adams	5.00
Cheboygan	3.00	Northport	5.00
Chelsea	10.90	Olivet	5.69
Clare	2.50	Omena	1.50
Clinton	15.00	Onondaga	1.00
Columbus	2.00	Otsego	2.98
Constantine	2.50	Ovid	2.50
Detroit, 1st	155.51	Perry	1.00
Detroit, North	6.25	Fine Grove	1.00
Detroit, Mt. Hope	3.00	Pittsford	2.00
Detroit, Brewster	25.00	Pontiac	10.00
Detroit, Boulevard	6.00	Port Huron, 1st	20.00
Detroit, Highland Park	2.00	Port Huron, 24th St.....	1.00
Delhi .....	.35	Port Huron, Sturges.....	3.00
Douglas	3.00	Portland .....	.50
Dowagiac	5.00	Redridge	2.00
Durand	2.00	Richmond	3.00
Eastport .....	.30	Rockford	2.00
Frankfort	5.00	Romeo	6.75
Freeland	1.00	Royal Oak	1.00
Galesburg	1.00	Saginaw, Genesee	1.00
Gaylord	2.00	St. Clair	25.00
Grand Blanc	2.00	St. Joseph	10.00
Grand Haven	1.00	South Haven	6.09
Grand Rapids, Park.....	65.00	Stanton	10.00
Grand Rapids, Second.....	10.00	Texas	1.00
Grand Rapids, South.....	10.00	Three Oaks	25.00
Grand Rapids, Smith.....	7.50	Traverse City, 1st.....	5.80
Grand Rapids, Plymouth.....	2.00	Utica	1.46
Grass Lake	5.00	Vermontville	3.00
Greenville	5.00	Vernon	1.00
Hancock	9.75	Victor	1.00
Hartland	1.00	Watervliet	4.00
Hersey	2.70	West Adrian	1.00
Highland	5.00	Wolverine	10.50
Honor	2.00	Ypsilanti	12.00
Hopkins, 2nd	9.00	Associations:	
Hudson	5.00	Cheboygan	15.77
Jackson, 1st	10.00	Detroit	18.10
Jackson, Plymouth	5.00	Eastern	24.77
Johannesburg	2.00	Genesee	7.50
Kalamazoo	13.00	Gladstone	4.80
Lake Ann	1.00	Grand Rapids	20.76
Lake Linden	5.00	Grand Traverse	6.49
Lansing, Plymouth	25.00	Jackson	5.00
Lansing, Pilgrim	3.00	Kalamazoo	7.34
Leroy	2.00	Lake Superior	45.88
Leslie	4.00	Lansing	9.84
Litchfield	5.00	Muskegon	13.97
Lowell	2.00	North Central	3.75
Ludington	21.49	Saginaw	7.09
Mackinac Island	1.00	S. S. Marie.....	4.51
Manistee	10.00	Southern	14.11
Maybee	5.00	State Conference	19.61
Memphis	1.00	Interest	520.00
Merrill	6.31	Individuals	105.00
Middleville	6.65		
Morenci	1.00		\$1,767.52

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REPORT OF TRUSTEES

During the year there have been held seven meetings of the executive committee and two meetings of the board of trustees. The average attendance at the meetings of the executive committee has been between seven and eight. As a rule each meeting consists of three ses-

sions of two and one-half hours, four hours, and two hours respectively, making a full working day of more than eight hours. Seven such days during the year have been given by the executive committee to the detailed work of the conference. The first session is usually given up entirely to the superintendent's report which is a free and full narrative of conditions as revealed by correspondence and by the personal work done on the field by himself and his two assistants, Rev. C. H. Harger and Rev. F. W. Sass. The superintendent's report covers all sections of the state and all conditions of the work that call for special consideration and is recognized as very valuable in keeping the committee in touch with individual churches as well as the organized work of the state.

The departures from established precedent which were made at the last annual meeting in consolidating the offices of registrar and superintendent without additional compensation to the superintendent, and in deputizing the superintendent's office assistant to transact all the detailed duties of the non-resident and non-salaried treasurer, have fully justified their wisdom by results. The work has been done with greater economy and with no less efficiency. The volume of work in the Congregational rooms is constantly increasing, having multiplied at least three fold since the new plan of administration was adopted by the conference eight years ago. A large part of this increase consists of correspondence with pastors and churches and may be regarded as good evidence that the service which the conference is seeking to render through its department of administration is being appreciated.

The apportionment plan committee met early in the fall in Detroit to consider the recommendation of the conference made at its last session, regarding a home missions propaganda to be carried on throughout the state in co-operation with the advisory committee of each local association. The movement was christened by the committee as "The Campaign of Friendship and Efficiency." The project was promptly brought to the attention of the registrar of each local association and the campaign was carried on during the fall and winter months in various sections of the state, with more or less efficiency, the degree of efficiency depending largely upon the amount of preparation that had been made by the local church. Notably successful was the campaign in the Grand Rapids, the Jackson, the Lansing, and the Southern Associations. Many expressions of appreciation have been received regarding the value of it, not only to the visited churches but also to the visiting teams. The apportionment plan committee also prepared a circular letter and a schedule of apportionments in accordance with the instructions of the conference and mailed the same before the end of the year to every pastor and church in the state.

The Country Pastors' Institute held its fourth session in Olivet, November 14 to 20. About twenty-five pastors were present. Entertainment was furnished in the homes of the people and every facility of the college and the church were generously tendered and freely used. Instructive lectures and inspiring addresses were given by various members of the faculty, by several of our Michigan pastors, and by President Davis of the Chicago Theological Seminary. The institute was regarded by our licentiates as a valuable aid in their course of study and as a rare opportunity for fellowship.

The illustrated lecture on the "Pilgrim Fathers in Pilgrim Lands" prepared by Rev. E. W. Bishop and placed in the Congregational rooms, Lansing, for the service of the churches, has been in almost constant use since last fall and has uniformly given great satisfaction. The state executive committee acting on the instruction of the conference to prepare an illustrated lecture on Michigan was fortunate in securing the complete collection of Michigan slides numbering more than 700 which had been collected by Dr. W. H. Warren during the twelve years of his superintendency. Four illustrated lectures on Michigan are now in course of preparation, three of which will form a series, and one will be complete in itself. It is expected that these lectures will be ready for use in the early fall.

Nothing definite has been accomplished during the year along lines of federation with other denominations, but a case is pending in which it is proposed for the Congregational Church to retire from one locality in favor of the M. E. Church on condition that the M. E. Church retires from another locality in favor of the Congregational Church. The plan has been approved by the local advisory committee and by the district superintendent of the M. E. Church. The consummation now awaits final action by the two churches.

In the department of home missions there have been employed for the whole or part of the year 66 pastors who have supplied 107 churches and out-stations and who have rendered a total of 725 months' service. The missionary force was the same as the previous year but there was an increase of 15 per cent in amount of service rendered growing out of fewer pastoral changes. Twenty-seven missionary pastors have ministered to a single congregation and 39 to two or more congregations.

The Michigan Congregational Extension Fund is having encouraging growth. Receipts during the fiscal year were as follows: From 99 individual givers in sums ranging from \$1 to \$50, \$345; from Mrs. I. P. Griswold, Allegan, \$500; from Mrs. F. A. Diggins, Cadillac, \$3,000; sale of disbanded church property, \$108.88; total, \$3,953.88. The total receipts of the fund since it was established three years ago, have been \$7,109.04.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That we accept the 1914 apportionment for benevolences as the apportionment for 1915, pledging ourselves to make every effort to meet it in full and, if possible, to exceed it at least 10 per cent.
2. That the percentage basis in the division of funds for home missions contributed by Michigan to the state and national societies be as follows: 85 per cent to be given to the Michigan Congregational Conference and 15 per cent to the Congregational Home Missionary Society up to \$19,000, exclusive of legacies, and that all sums above \$19,000, except such as are pledged for special purposes, shall be given to the National Society.
3. That the percentage basis in the division of funds for Sunday school missions contributed by Michigan be as follows: After deducting \$300 to apply on administration expenses of the Michigan Congregational Conference that the remainder whether received in Boston or in Lansing, except such sums as are contributed for special purposes, be divided evenly between the Michigan Congregational Con-

ference and the C. S. S. & P. S. Further that the Michigan Congregational Conference and S. S. & P. S. contribute share and share alike toward the salary and expenses of the general Sunday School Missionary for Michigan.

4. (a) In order that the bonds of fellowship between the churches may be strengthened and the efficiency of the churches increased, that a campaign of friendship and efficiency be carried on simultaneously throughout the state from November 1 to 15 under the leadership of the state executive committee in co-operation with the local associations; that each visiting team be organized with a chairman and consist of three to five persons, including men and women from the ranks of the laity, whenever possible; that provision be made at each visit for a morning or evening conference, or both, at which consideration shall be given to the importance of the following subjects: "The Every Member Canvass for both Current Expenses and Benevolences," "The Spirit and Form of Public Worship," "The Social Life of the Church," "The Social Service of the Church to its Community," "The Church Recruiting and Educating its own Forces;" and that an inspirational service be held in the evening at which special consideration shall be given to the history, the principles, the present work and program of Congregationalism either in their state, national or world-wide aspect as may seem most appropriate.

(b) That, as a fitting preparation for this campaign, each local association at its fall meeting give special consideration to the topics enumerated above, and that no effort be spared on the part of the advisory committee to secure the presence and co-operation of every church through its pastor and delegates. Let us enter this campaign together, with no beating of drums, for the Kingdom of God is not hysteria but righteous and peace and joy in the Holy Ghost. Let us enter it cheerfully employing Christ's methods of patient sacrificial service, and push it steadily by a passion growing out of the Christ life.

5. That the five conditions governing the administration of the Michigan Congregational Extension Fund be amended as follows: That condition "two" be changed so as to read, "It shall only be used for the erection of churches or parsonages or for the purchase of real estate on which it is purposed to erect such buildings." That condition "six" be added, to read as follows: "The mortgages referred to in conditions 'three' and 'four' may be made subject to a first mortgage to the Congregational Church Building Society but to no other encumbrances."

6. That instead of holding the Country Pastors' Institute this fall, provision be made to assist the home missionary pastors to attend the meeting of the American Board to be held in Detroit in October.

7. That a budget for home missionary expenditures be made out and acted upon at the December meeting of the executive committee; that application blanks be forwarded to the home missionary churches on November 1 and that all applications for home missionary aid shall be returned to the superintendent before December 15.

8. That the churches be asked to increase their per capita tax one cent in order to meet the increase of one cent levied by the national council.

9. That in response to a request from the national council, a committee be appointed on evangelism.
10. That Rev. Bastian Smits and Mr. C. C. Vaughan be nominated for director of the Congregational Home Missionary Society.
11. That Superintendent J. W. Sutherland succeed himself at his present compensation.

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Your committee presents as its report substantially a repetition of the last annual report, for the reason that it was not found possible during the past year to secure the desired student pastor at Ann Arbor, upon which action the proposed adjustment with the Congregational Education Society was conditioned. It may be stated that negotiations are now in progress looking toward the early appointment of said student pastor. Your committee therefore desires the reaffirmation and readoption of the action taken one year ago, as follows:

First, that the state apportionment committee be asked to make the 1915 apportionment for Christian Education \$2,500, provided it can be so adjusted as not to conflict with the action of the conference in adopting the 1914 apportionment as the apportionment for 1915.

Second, that this amount be distributed as follows:

(a) \$500 to the general work of the Congregational Education Society.

(b) \$500 toward the salary of the student pastor at Ann Arbor.

(c) \$500 to Olivet College.

(d) \$500 to Benzonia Academy.

(e) \$500 to Chicago Theological Seminary.

Third, that the committee on education be continued and instructed to communicate this action to the Congregational Education Society urging its approval and adoption, to co-operate with the state apportionment committee and the institutions above mentioned in bringing this matter before the churches, and to do whatever else may be necessary to carry this action into effect.

Your committee further reports that at a recent meeting of the state executive committee the choice of a student pastor at Ann Arbor was referred to Rev. F. M. Sheldon, in connection with this committee. We report progress and expect to have such a pastor on the field by the opening of the next academic year.

J. · PERCIVAL HUGET,
F. H. FOSTER,
G. R. CATTON,
A. HADDEN,
E. W. BISHOP.

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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE UPON COURSE OF STUDY

Twelve licentiates appeared before the committee, of whom Messrs. Bridgewater, Caldwell, Lucas, Peters and Lyon, having completed the course of study, are recommended to their respective associations for

ordination. Mr. Wm. Huck, assistant pastor at Benzonia, and Mr. T. H. Jones, Alba, completed a course of theological study with honor at Hartley College, Manchester, England, and are also recommended for ordination.

Mr. Dawe, who was a second year student, was examined and presented an excellent essay on Christianity and the Social Crisis. He is advanced to the third year, and is recommended to take the course in systematic theology, which is offered by the Chicago Theological Seminary in its correspondence department, as well as the other studies of the third year as provided by the conference course. Mr. Snook is continued as a second year student. Mr. Henry Kreulen is recommended to take the Chicago Theological Seminary Correspondence Course in systematic theology.

Mr. Roger, who has had a partial theological course, wrote the paper of the first year and is recommended by the committee to enter the Chicago Theological Seminary. Mr. Columbus also answered the first year paper. He is recommended to take the entire correspondence course provided by the Chicago Seminary. Mr. Humphrey is continued as a student of the second year. Mr. Wintz is re-enrolled, and Mr. Paull for the first time enrolled, as a student in the first year, and recommended to begin the Chicago course.

It will be noted that the committee has taken the step of recommending certain students to take correspondence courses in the Chicago Seminary. It is the conviction of the committee that most men need the actual contact with the teacher, and the discipline of definite questions and careful correction of their work, which such an arrangement renders possible. This is, to a degree, a departure from the policy of the conference and from the previous work of the committee. It is the intention of the committee to have the correspondence work reported to them as was the work done under the former plan, and to make their future recommendations for ordination upon the same general grounds as heretofore. In order that the new policy may receive the endorsement of the conference, or may be reversed by them if they do not approve it, the committee requests that the following resolution be passed:

That the conference views with satisfaction the employment of the committee of the facilities offered by the Extension Department of the Chicago Theological Seminary for the more complete education of our licentiates.

Respectfully submitted for the committee,
F. H. FOSTER, Chairman.

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REPORT ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF

Whereas, the National Council unanimously approved of the Annuity Plan for Ministers, so carefully worked out by our National Ministerial Relief Board, and has instructed the board to put the plan in operation; and

Whereas, the plan is co-operative, affording the ministers of our

communion the opportunity to share in making the plan a success, by paying one-fifth of the money necessary to secure certain benefits, while the church pays four-fifths; and

Whereas, the National Ministerial Relief Society desires and deserves the hearty co-operation of all the states in making the plan effective, be it resolved:

First, that the Michigan State Conference gladly approves of the Annuity Plan and pledges its hearty co-operation with the National Ministerial Relief Society in all possible ways.

Second, that we urge all who possibly can, but especially the younger men in the ministry, who will eventually receive the full benefit, to take out an Annuity certificate.

Third, that after properly caring for all the worthy beneficiaries of our state, the treasurer be authorized to forward the surplus of our ministerial relief fund receipts from the churches for 1914 to the National Ministerial Relief Society, the same to be divided equally between the Ministerial Relief Fund and the Annuity Fund.

BASTIAN SMITS.

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NECROLOGY

REV. ALBRO G. GATES

Rev. Albro G. Gates, son of Zephaniah and Laura A. Gates, was born in Berlin, Ionia county, Michigan. He was the oldest of a family of five children, three of whom survive him, namely, Mrs. R. E. Arnold, Ionia, Michigan, Mr. C. C. Gates, Edmore, Michigan, and Mr. H. P. Gates, Grand Rapids, Michigan. He attended school at Stanton and Ionia, Michigan, and also at Valparaiso, Indiana, where he received a bachelor's degree. He was united in marriage December 24th, 1879, with Miss Maude A. Banks of Ionia, Michigan. For twenty-seven years he engaged in teaching, a portion of the time being superintendent of schools. He was ordained a minister of the gospel in 1907. His first pastorate was in Canterbury, N. H. He removed from there to Pinckney, Michigan, where he was pastor five years. His next and last pastorate was at Rochester, Michigan, where he was two and a half years. Mr. Gates had been in poor health several years and dropped dead May 1, 1914. He was a man of sterling qualities and pleasing personality. He was greatly beloved by his church people; he was a fraternity man, and is deeply mourned by a large circle of friends.

REV. G. A. POLLARD

Rev. G. A. Pollard was born at Hallowell, Maine, August 18, 1830. He was graduated from Bowdoin college, and took his theological course at Bangor Seminary. After marriage he went direct to Armenia, where he served 12 years under the A. B. C. F. M. The arduousness of these years so broke him in health that he returned, and the remaining 45 years of life were spent in home missionary work in Michigan. While in Armenia, he was superintendent of a vast region with headquarters at Arabekir and Erzroom. During the last years of his life he lived in Grand Rapids, and held religious services at

the jail and county farm. He passed away peacefully after only three day's illness, on Tuesday morning, January 27, 1914, leaving a family of five children to mourn his loss: Rev. Sam W. Pollard, Highmore, S. D., Rev. Harry H. Pollard, Shoshoni, Wyo., Mrs. Ira Henshaw, Grandville, Michigan, Miss Anna Pollard, assistant librarian, Grand Rapids, Walter P. Pollard, Detroit, Michigan. The funeral was held from South Congregational church of which he had long been an honored member. The services were conducted by Rev. C. O. Grieshaber, with the six Congregational pastors of the city acting as pall bearers.

REV. DOANE R. ATKINS

Rev. Doane R. Atkins was born in Truro, Cape Cod, Mass., April 25, 1845. He was the son of Deacon Paul and Kezja Atkins. Like all Cape Cod boys he became a fisher boy at fourteen and followed the sea until he was twenty-one. In 1866 he became a student at Phillips Academy, Andover, Mass., in preparation for the Congregational ministry, and graduated from that institution in the summer of 1869. In the fall of the same year he entered Amherst College and graduated in the class of 1873, the first president of the class. He received the degree of B.D. from the Yale Divinity School in 1876, and began preaching the same summer at Westbrook, Conn., a popular summer resort. In the fall of 1878, he began preaching in Brimfield, Mass., the home of Hitchcock Academy, and in October, 1881, he became a home missionary in the Black Hills of South Dakota. While a home missionary he led in building two churches, both of which were paid for before dedication. In the winter of 1888 he received a unanimous call to the church in Calumet, Michigan. His ministries in the different places were highly successful. Mr. Atkins' manner was conciliatory. He was a thoughtful preacher, a kind pastor and carried with him the respect of his parish. He had a passionate love for poetry and wrote verse with a facile pen, some of which was published. He was married Christmas day, 1883, to Elizabeth Wesson of Worcester, Mass. He passed away at his home, "Lawn Ridge," October 11, 1913, after a severe illness of heart trouble, in the sixty-seventh year of his age.

REV. ALEXANDER THOMSON

Rev. Alexander Thomson was born September 30, 1844, at Aberdeen, Scotland. At the age of eleven he came to Canada, settling near Toronto. Late in the Civil War he came to the United States and enlisted in the 144th Illinois infantry. His term of military service was brief, due to the breaking down of his health. Early in his twenties he taught his first school near Allegan, Mich. He continued teaching for many years. Gradually the conviction matured in his mind that he must preach Christ's gospel. He was ordained a minister of the Congregational church, October 21, 1887. His first pastorate was at Bartlett, Illinois, where he had taught seven years. He was in the active ministry twenty-one years, all of his work being in Illinois and Wisconsin.

Mr. Thompson from early youth had been a firm and active champion of temperance. His last days are said to have been a spiritual uplift to all who were privileged to see and hear him. When informed

that his disease was probably incurable, he obeyed the Divine injunction, "Set thine house in order," and calmly made all his arrangements even to the minutest detail. For twenty-eight years he had spent a portion of his time in Saugatuck, Michigan, lured by the beauty of its scenery. It was there at Sunnyside, his beautiful home, that early in the morning of March 10, 1914, he passed quietly out of this life, in the 70th year of his age. He is survived by a wife, four children, Mrs. J. A. Falconer, of Washington, D. C., Alexander Clare Thomson of Chico, Washington, Mrs. L. G. McCormick of Renton, Washington, Miss Jeanette Elvira Thomson at home, seven grandchildren, a sister, Mrs. Martha Mills of Vancouver, B. C., and a brother, David Thomson, of Pine Grove, Ontario, Canada.

REV. JESSE POVEY

Rev. Jesse Povey was born at Stockeress, England, April 7, 1843, and died at Calumet, Michigan, on Friday, July 18, 1913. When a young man he went from his home city to London where he became identified with the Primitive Methodist Church by which body he was licensed to preach. After a brief service as pastor of a church in London, in 1866 he came to the United States. Soon after his arrival he entered the ministry of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Brooklyn, N. Y. During the several years of his ministry in Brooklyn he organized the Fourth Avenue Methodist Episcopal Church in what was at that time a suburban section of the city. This church has since become one of the largest and strongest churches in Brooklyn with a membership of about 1,000 and a Sunday school of about 1,500.

After years of labor in the eastern part of the country Mr. Povey came to Michigan in the year 1888. After his arrival he became identified with the Congregational church and for twenty-five years his time was spent in the ministry of Michigan with the exception of a period of five years when he was pastor of the Congregational church at Perry, Iowa. His pastorates in Michigan include the following churches: Utica, Fort Street church, Detroit, Lake Linden, Mt. Hope church, Detroit, Plymouth church, Detroit. From the latter church he went to Perry, Iowa, remaining there five years when he was called for a second time to the pastorate of the Lake Linden church. This pastorate was terminated by the illness of Mrs. Povey who passed away about three years ago in New York. Later Mr. Povey returned to the copper country and was pastor in succession of the Congregational churches at Chassell and Red Jacket. He was pastor at the latter church at the time of his death. He was taken ill about a year ago and although his condition became encouraging at times he gradually grew worse until the end came. The surviving children are Ernest J. Povey of Brooklyn, N. Y., Rev. R. Stanley Povey of Bridgeport, Conn., Dr. W. Gilbert Povey of Detroit, and Miss Grace Povey of New York City. The funeral was held on Monday, July 21, at the Red Jacket Congregational church and was conducted by Rev. Luther K. Long of the Calumet church, assisted by Rev. Mandus Barrett of Hancock and Rev. Frederick Bagnall of Lake Linden. A large number of friends attended the funeral in loving honor of the deceased who was widely known, respected and beloved. The remains were taken to Brooklyn for interment.

REV. PARVIN M. FRANCE

Rev. Parvin M. France was born in Rawisbury, Ashland Co., Ohio, January 25, 1852. He spoke of his parents as belonging to the class of "poor but hard working and respectable" people. When he was about two years of age his father and mother removed to Whiteside county, Illinois. Here when five years of age he lost his mother by death. After this he lived for a time with grandparents. At the age of seven he went to La Fayette, Ohio, where he lived four years. The next seven years were spent on an uncle's farm in Illinois. Here he learned the lessons of hard work and frugality which bore fruit in the development of a strong, well-balanced character.

Mr. France enjoyed such educational privileges as were afforded by the public schools of his day. In addition he attended Smithville, Ohio, academy four terms, and also, after deciding to enter the Christian ministry, became a student in the United Brethren Seminary at Dayton, Ohio, where he pursued a three years' course, graduating in 1877, at the age of 25. The year of his graduation, Mr. France was united in marriage with Miss Clara E. Miller of Smithville, Ohio. Three children were the fruit of this union, one of whom, Glenn, alone survives him, being at present a resident at Marshall, Michigan. In 1893 Mr. France was bereft of his first wife. In 1895 he again married, taking for his companion Miss Mary A. Fitch of Lyndon, Ill. As the fruit of this union one son was born, Frederick Merril, now a lad of 13.

Thirty years of Mr. France's life were devoted to the work of the ministry. From 1877 till 1889 he served as a pastor of the United Brethren church, from 1899 till 1907 as a Congregational minister. His last regular charge was in Ionia, Iowa, from which place, because of failing health, he removed to Coloma, Michigan, where he settled down to the life of a farmer. During six months of this time he was acting pastor of the Coloma and Watervliet churches. In the fall of 1913, Mr. France, with his family, took up his residence in Ann Arbor for the sake of the school and church privileges of that place. Very shortly thereafter the hand of disease and suffering was laid heavily upon him, and on December 15, 1913, he passed out of this life in the 62nd year of his age. During all the years of his pastorate he never absented himself from his pulpit on account of ill health, tho many times he might have found ample occasion for so doing. It was his ambition to carry the period of his usefulness up to the very day of his summons to depart; and he succeeded. Those best acquainted with his life and ministry have no doubt that he has received the welcome plaudit: "Well done, good and faithful servant."

REV. WILLIAM H. WARREN

Rev. William H. Warren was born in Westboro, Mass., August 11, 1840. He was graduated from Harvard College with honors in the class of 1865, and from Andover Theological Seminary in the class of 1868. His first pastorate was in St. Louis, Mo. From there he was invited to Cleveland, Ohio, to become pastor of Pilgrim Congregational church. In 1875 the First Congregational church of Springfield, Ohio, called him to its pastorate, and he remained with that church twelve years. Thence he was called to Cincinnati, Ohio, when

the old Vine Street and Seventh Street churches united to form the Central church of which he was pastor for seven years. In 1894 the Michigan Home Missionary Society invited him to be its secretary, and he served the churches of Michigan in that capacity twelve years, traversing the entire state and compassing annually more than twenty thousand miles. His last pastorate was with Fort Street church, Detroit, where he remained five years, when physical infirmity forbade his further continuance in the active ministry. He closed his labors with the Fort Street church in the spring of 1911.

Dr. Warren spent the winter of 1911-12, together with his family, with his daughter living in California. On his return in May, 1912, he underwent, in Chicago, a severe operation which delayed the rapid inroads of the disease which had fastened itself upon him, but failed to remove the cause. During the summer and fall he lived in his summer cottage at Frankfort, where he was able to receive his friends and to occasionally appear at public gatherings. All who met him were deeply impressed with his spirit of resignation and cheerfulness. He seemed to be chiefly dominated by a feeling of gratitude for the way in which God had guided him in his life and for the large measures of opportunity and usefulness that has been granted him. He had great faith in the Congregational Assembly at Frankfort and showed his faith by his works, thoroughly identifying himself with all its interests and for many years faithfully fulfilling his duties as an assembly trustee. There, as everywhere he went, he was greatly beloved for that genial, friendly spirit which he manifested to all classes and conditions of men with whom he came in contact. As he journeyed about in his capacity as a home missionary secretary he readily ingratiated himself into favor with traveling men and it is doubtful if any one ever brought larger measurer of wise counsel and good cheer to home missionaries than did he. He was an able, graceful, and forceful speaker on many platforms, very evidently manifesting an unction from on high. His character and wisdom were recognized and held in high esteem in the wider circles of the denomination. It has been truly and well said: "Robust of frame, genial in spirit, tactful, aggressive, consecrated, he blessed a multitude of churches, large and small, by his counsel and the warmth of his spiritual life." It ought to be added that a very marked characteristic of Dr. Warren was his kindness of heart and his readiness to help his individual brethren in every way possible.

The end came at his home in Detroit, December 3, 1913. His funeral was attended at the Fort Street Congregational church, Detroit, Michigan, the afternoon of December 6, 1913, on which occasion a deeply appreciative and masterly address was given by his long-time friend and co-worker, the Rev. John P. Sanderson, D.D. In 1870, Dr. Warren married Miss Mary Jackson of Andover; she and three children survive him, Charles J. Warren of New York City; two daughters, Mrs. Roscoe D. Douglass of Oroville, California, and Miss Carolyn T. Warren of Detroit, Michigan.

REV. WOLCOTT B. WILLIAMS

Rev. Wolcott Bigelow Williams was born on a farm at Brooklyn, Conn., August 13, 1823, where he lived until 13 years of age, working as a boy, and attending the district school and academy over two

miles distant. At that time his parents migrated to the new west, locating at La Port, Indiana. Here he worked on farms, but his inclinations led him toward educational fields, and he attended school winters, until at 17 years he commenced teaching. It was about this time that he became active as a conductor on the "underground railway" by which slaves were aided in escaping from the south, his night run being 18 miles across the new country. In 1844, when 21 years old, he decided to go to Oberlin College, 300 miles distant. He made the trip all the way on foot with the exception of forty miles that he got a chance to ride. During the following eight months he worked for his board and attended classes, at the close of which period he returned home on foot. This was followed by regular courses of study at Oberlin, graduating from the college in 1850 and from theological department in 1853.

On October 5, 1854, he was married in Buffalo, New York, to Miss Mary A. Thompson, and came soon after to Charlotte, Mich., to accept the pastorate of the Congregational church there, the society having just been organized. Conditions were very primitive. The church had only ten members and no church building. There was no church building within ten miles. Within a year a church edifice was erected and Mr. Williams remained as pastor 13 years, until the close of the Civil War, when he resigned to accept a position with the American Missionary Association in the establishing of schools among the freed men of the former slave states of the south. A few years later he was appointed a superintendent of missions by the Congregational Home Missionary Society, with southern and eastern Michigan as his field, a work he continued for ten years. In this work he proved himself an efficient secretary, an evangelist of high rank, and a remarkable church builder. During these ten years he assisted in raising money to build and in dedicating 84 churches. He was very prominent and active in the building of his home church at Charlotte which takes the place of the first edifice which he was instrumental in having erected there.

For many years he was very prominent and active in general educational work. He raised considerable money for Oberlin college and was for 14 years a member of its board of trustees. He was active in the establishment of Olivet college for which he raised the sum of \$100,000 in 1887. He was a member of Olivet's board of trustees for over 50 years, continuing in that relation until the time of his death. He assisted in organizing the Charlotte Union school, and conducted the first teachers' institute ever held in Eaton county. He was a man ready unto every good work, who seemed always to find something to do and who did it with a will. Only about a month previous to his death, notwithstanding great feebleness, he attended the principal event of Chautauqua week in Charlotte, walking to and from the ground, nearly a mile distant from his home. His last illness covered a period of about two weeks, and was principally due to a failure of nature to resist advanced age, a decline which slowly and peacefully carried him away August 31, 1913, aged 90 years and 22 days. Mrs. Williams had passed away three years before. They had four children born to them, Alice, who died in infancy; Edith, who departed when 20 years of age, and Sarah and Herbert, who survive him, both at home, having loyally served their parents in their advanced years. He is also survived by a sister, Mrs. Ellen Haddock, of Michigan City, Indiana.

The funeral was held at the Charlotte Congregational church and was largely attended by his friends and former co-workers. During the funeral hour all business places in the city were closed as a tribute of respect to the deceased. Rev. Charles T. Patchell, pastor of the church, opened the service with prayer and scripture reading, an address was made by Dr. F. H. Foster of Olivet, and a sermon was delivered by Rev. H. H. Van Auken of Charlotte, who was ordained as a minister by the deceased 49 years ago. The text was from 2 Timothy 4:7, "I have fought the good fight, I have finished the course, I have kept the faith." It was an excellent tribute to Mr. Williams who preached his first sermon in Charlotte January 1, 1854.

W. S. STEENSMA,
CHARLES J. DOLE,
HENRY W. HUNT,
Committee.

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

Whereas, We have been granted every privilege and extended every courtesy to make our visit to Grand Rapids, our entrance to the homes of this city and our fellowship together, an experience of delight and blessing; be it resolved: That we hereby express to the Park Congregational church and the people of this city our grateful appreciation of all that has been done that the members of the Michigan Congregational Conference might have every means to the full enjoyment and benefit of this annual meeting.

MAC H. WALLACE,
U. G. RICH,
H. C. SNYDER,
Committee.

MICHIGAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Officers, 1913-1914

President.....	Rev. H. A. Putnam, Ludington
Vice President.....	Mr. F. E. Bogart, Detroit
Secretary and Superintendent.....	Rev. J. W. Sutherland, Lansing
Treasurer.....	Mr. L. P. Haight, Lansing

Articles of Association

ARTICLE I

The name assumed by this corporation, and by which it shall be known in law, is the Michigan Home Missionary Society.

ARTICLE II

The object of this society shall be to promote the organization of Congregational churches in Michigan, to aid churches in the support of their local ministry and work, to cooperate with the national Congregational Home Missionary Society in the cause of missions in other states and territories, and to diffuse Christian knowledge within this state by missionaries, publication and such other means, agencies and instrumentalities as may be necessary therefor.

ARTICLE III

The annual meeting for the election of officers and the transaction of other business shall be held on the Thursday next after the third Tuesday of May in each year, at the hour of nine o'clock a. m., at the place where the annual meeting of the Michigan Congregational Conference shall be held. If any exigency arise which necessitates a change in the time of the annual meeting of the Michigan Congregational Conference the date of the annual meeting of this society may, by vote of the officers, upon due notice, be changed to correspond with that of the annual meeting of the Michigan Congregational Conference.

ARTICLE IV

The trustees of the Michigan Congregational Conference shall be *ex-officiis* the trustees of the said society and shall have in relation to the business, funds and all other interests of said society the same powers, rights and duties, which are given them as trustees of said Michigan Congregational Conference.

The annual meeting of the trustees shall be held at the time of, or immediately after the annual meeting of the Michigan Congregational Conference, and eleven members of the board shall constitute a quorum.

Said board shall receive, hold, control, invest, reinvest and expend all moneys or property given or bequeathed in trust or otherwise to the Michigan Home Missionary Society and shall apply the same, or the proceeds thereof, to the work of said society or to such branch thereof as may be designated in the will or bequest of the donors: *Provided*, however, That the society may make such application through the agency of the board of trustees of the Michigan Congregational Conference and its agencies, if in their judgment it shall seem desirable so to do. Said board of trustees or the executive committee thereof may be made the agents of the board of trustees of the Michigan Home Missionary Society for the purpose of making such application, with such powers in relation thereto as may be granted by the board of trustees of said society.

ARTICLE V

The membership of this society shall consist of the members of the Michigan Congregational Conference, and of life members, to be elected or appointed in such manner as this society may hereafter provide, and also of nine delegates from the Woman's Home Missionary Union, to be elected annually by that body.

ARTICLE VI

Twenty-five members of the society present at any meeting legally assembled shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of all business.

ARTICLE VII

Said corporation may hold real and personal property not to exceed in value the sum of five hundred thousand dollars, to be devoted exclusively to the prosecution in the State of Michigan of Christian work as indicated in Article II of the constitution, by missionaries, publications and such other means, agencies, and instrumentalities as may be necessary therefor.

Said Michigan Home Missionary Society shall have power to receive and execute trusts for the general purposes of said society, and may receive, hold, invest, reinvest and expend all money and other property given or bequeathed in trust or otherwise to the said Michigan Home Missionary Society, and shall execute said trusts for the general purposes of the said corporation within the meaning of the acts under which the same is incorporated in accordance with the terms and conditions of said trusts.

ARTICLE VIII

The term of existence of this corporation is fixed at thirty years from the date hereof.

Done at Olivet, Michigan, June 13, 1895.

Amended at Lansing, Michigan, May 21, 1908.

Constitution and By-Laws

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ARTICLE II

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ARTICLE III

The membership of this society shall consist of the members of the Michigan Congregational Conference and of life members, and also nine delegates from the Women's Home Missionary Union, to be elected annually by that body.

Any member of any Congregational church in this state may become a life member of this society upon the payment to the society in his behalf of the sum of thirty dollars, and an election to such membership by a majority vote of the members present and voting at any meeting of this society; it being provided that in connection with the gifts of churches, life membership is to be conferred only upon such persons as have been elected to this honor by the contributing churches; such election to be properly certified to the treasurer of this society.

Any member of any Congregational church in this state shall be eligible to election to any office in this society.

ARTICLE IV

The officers of this society shall be a president, vice president, secretary and treasurer. They shall be elected by ballot at the annual meeting of the society and shall hold their offices for one year and until their successors shall be elected and qualified.

Said officers shall furnish the board of trustees with any information required by them on all matters relating to their respective departments, and shall perform all other duties usually pertaining to these offices.

ARTICLE V

The annual meeting of this society shall be held on the Thursday next after the third Tuesday of May in each year, at the place where the annual meeting of the Michigan Congregational Conference shall be held.

Special meetings may be called whenever, in the unanimous opinion of the president, vice president, secretary and treasurer, the interests of the society so demand.

ARTICLE VI

Twenty-five members of the society, present at any meeting legally assembled, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

ARTICLE VII

The trustees of the Michigan Congregational Conference shall be *ex-officiis* the trustees of this society. Their powers and duties shall be the same with reference to this society, the conduct of its affairs and the administration of its property and interests as defined for the trustees of the said Congregational Conference in the constitution and by-laws thereof.

ARTICLE VIII

The society may, from time to time, adopt such rules as may be necessary for the dispatch of business.

ARTICLE IX

The constitution and by-laws may be changed or amended at any regular meeting of the society by a two-thirds vote of the members present, provided the intended change or amendment shall have been proposed in substance at the previous meeting.

BY-LAWS

The fiscal year of this society shall close at the same time as the fiscal year of the Michigan Congregational Conference.

MICHIGAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The Twentieth Annual Meeting

The society met in Park Congregational church, Grand Rapids, at 10 o'clock, May 14, 1914, Rev. H. A. Putnam, president, in the chair.

The scribe and assistant scribe of the conference were elected scribe and assistant scribe of the society.

The nominating committee of the conference was elected nominating committee of the society, and presented the following report, which was adopted and the persons named elected:

President—Rev. H. A. Putnam, Ludington.

Vice President—Mr. F. E. Bogart, Detroit.

Secretary—Superintendent J. W. Sutherland, Lansing.

Treasurer—Mr. L. P. Haight, Lansing.

Superintendent Sutherland offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

“Be it resolved, That the board of trustees of the Michigan Congregational Conference and its executive committee are hereby appointed the agents of this board for the purpose of applying the funds of this board to the purposes designated by the donors thereof, or to such other work of the society, as, in their judgment and discretion, may be best for the interests of such work.”

After singing a hymn, the following addresses were given:

“The Faithful Minister in a Small Town,” Rev. F. H. Bridge-water, Central Lake.

“The Rural Institutional Church,” Rev. W. Huck, Benzonia.

“All Things to All Men,” Rev. W. Roy Columbus, Garden.

“Transformation of the Small Sunday School,” Mrs. A. E. Fraser, Traverse City.

On motion the society adjourned.

REV. E. R. LATHAM, Scribe.

REV. R. T. CALDWELL, Assistant Scribe.

REPORT OF THE W. H. M. U. OF MICHIGAN

Minutes of the Thirty-Third Annual Meeting

The thirty-third annual meeting of the Woman's Home Missionary Union of Michigan was declared in session by the president, Mrs. C. W. Wagner, on Wednesday morning, April 29, 1914, in the First Congregational church of Pontiac.

After an earnest prayer by the president and the singing of a hymn, the devotional service was led by Mrs. I. P. Powell of Grand Rapids.

On motion of Mrs. C. R. Wilson, the program as printed was voted the order of the day.

Mrs. K. P. Rockwell, in behalf of the Pontiac society, graciously voiced the hearty welcome the delegates had already felt on their arrival in the city.

The response was given by Mrs. L. P. Haight of Muskegon, who expressed the appreciation of both the W. H. M. U. and the W. B. M. I. for the courtesies extended. While well aware of all the responsibilities which accrue to the entertaining society, the speaker felt the effort would be more than repaid by added enthusiasm and vital interest awakened in missionary work.

The president named the following committees:

On Credentials—Mrs. F. B. Crego, Saginaw; Mrs. L. Jackson, Pontiac.

On Resolutions—Mrs. F. M. Sheldon, Ann Arbor; Mrs. H. A. Putnam, Ludington.

On Place of Meeting, 1915—Mrs. Victor Brown, Bay City; Mrs. Harriette Appleton, Kalamazoo.

On Nomination for 1915—Mrs. George Thompson, Owosso; Mrs. W. B. Hogue, Detroit; Mrs. C. E. Taggart, Charlevoix; Mrs. L. K. Long, Calumet; Mrs. W. C. Allen, Leslie.

Mrs. C. R. Wilson of Detroit, chairman of the board of trustees, in her report paid a beautiful and worthy tribute to the late Dr. W. H. Warren of Detroit, formerly state missionary superintendent.

The report of the executive board was given by Mrs. G. B. Wade of Laingsburg.

The report of junior and juvenile work was given by Miss Ella Wagner of Ann Arbor.

The report of superintendent of literature was given by Mrs. E. L. Edwards of Traverse City.

On motion these several reports were received and placed on file.

The annual report of the treasurer, already in the hands of the delegates in printed form, was briefly reviewed by the treasurer, Mrs. C. O. Davis of Ann Arbor.

On motion this report was received with thanks and placed on file.

Miss Harriette Potter, assistant corresponding secretary, conducted the conference of association presidents. This conference proved one of the helpful and delightful features of the program.

The afternoon devotional service was conducted by Mrs. George E. Thompson of Owosso.

Mrs. C. W. Wagner gave an interesting report of the annual meeting of the Home Missionary Federation held in Kansas City, October, 1913. This report brought a real breath of inspiration from this most wonderful convention and was gratefully received.

The nominating committee for 1914 presented the following report:

Officers for the ensuing year:

President—Mrs. C. W. Wagner, Ann Arbor.

First Vice President—Mrs. I. P. Powell, Grand Rapids.

Second Vice President—Mrs. C. R. Wilson, Detroit.

Third Vice President—Mrs. F. B. Crego, Saginaw.

Fourth Vice President—Mrs. Frank Cooley, Lansing.

Fifth Vice President—Mrs. George, Ypsilanti.

Sixth Vice President—Mrs. J. W. Sutherland, Lansing.

Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. H. L. Wilton, Grosse Isle.

Asst. Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. G. B. Wade, Laingsburg.

Secretary Junior and Juvenile Work—Miss Ella Wagner, Ann Arbor.

Asst. Junior and Juvenile Work—Mrs. H. Schmidt, Chelsea.

Secretary of Literature—Mrs. E. L. Edwards, Traverse City.

Treasurer—Mrs. C. O. Davis, Ann Arbor.

Auditor—Mr. H. A. Williams, Ann Arbor.

Board of Trustees for Three Years—Mrs. C. W. Wagner, Ann Arbor; Mrs. C. R. Wilson, Detroit; Mrs. I. P. Powell, Grand Rapids.

Delegate to Home Missionary Federation—Mrs. C. W. Wagner, Ann Arbor.

Delegates to State Conference in Grand Rapids—Mrs. C. W.

Wagner, Ann Arbor; Mrs. M. J. Sweet, Pontiac; Mrs. H. A. Putnam, Ludington; Mrs. S. O. Hartwell, Kalamazoo; Mrs. A. Hadden, Muskegon; Mrs. E. L. Edwards, Traverse City; Mrs. George Davis, Grand Rapids; Mrs. W. B. Hogue, Detroit; Mrs. Bastian Smits, Jackson.

The report was accepted, and the secretary instructed to cast the ballot for the officers named by the committee.

The "Plan of Work for 1914-1915" was presented as follows: "It is the sense of this committee that greater interest in home missions may be aroused among the women of our state by employing a traveling secretary who shall visit as many churches as possible where no missionary society exists or where interest is waning. We therefore recommend that a secretary be appointed by the executive board and employed for three months at a salary of \$50 a month. This committee further recommends that we print on the fly leaf of our annual report the following:

Plan of Work for 1914

Our ultimate aim	\$14,000.00
Our aim for 1914.....	6,300.00
This means a 5 per cent increase in your society.	

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. C. W. WAGNER,
MISS ELLA WAGNER,
MRS. C. O. DAVIS.

The report was accepted with the amendment that "we aim to increase the membership 10 per cent. praying that a five per cent. increase in gifts will follow."

Mrs. Haukemeyer, representative of the Congregational Educational Society, gave an address on "Missions in New Mexico."

Rev. John Faris Berry, from the Schauffler School, presented the subject of "Training Foreign Home Missionaries."

The committee on credentials reported 54 delegates, 10 officers, 10 association presidents, and three representing association presidents.

Committee on resolutions presented the following:

"We wish to express our appreciation of the cordial way in which the ladies of the First Congregational church of Pontiac have cared for every wish and desire of the delegates, in

serving a bountiful supper, in the pleasant reception and gracious opening of the homes. Also the pleasure offered by the different musical numbers.

"We feel especially privileged to see and hear Mrs. Ida Vose Woodbury, Rev. John Faris Berry and Mrs. Haukemeyer.

"We also feel that a new interest has been awakened by the presence and reports of so many association presidents.

"We want to thank the president and executive board for their efficient work in planning and carrying on the work."

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. F. M. SHELDON,

MRS. H. A. PUTNAM.

Mrs. C. R. Wilson moved that through the corresponding secretary, that Michigan W. H. M. U. express their appreciation of the life and service of Mrs. Wm. Kincaid, president of the New York W. H. M. U., covering a period of thirty years, and who passed to her reward during the year that has passed. Carried.

The committee on place of meeting for 1915 accepted the invitation from the Kalamazoo society subsequent to decision of a like committee from the "Branch."

The evening devotional service was led by Rev. Milo J. Sweet of Pontiac.

Mrs. Ida Vose Woodbury gave an inspiring address in her own forceful way, topic, "The Supreme Test of the Melting Pot."

The attendance was large, the music beautiful. The meeting closed with benediction by Rev. Sweet.

Respectfully submitted,

T. JOSEPHINE WADE,

Recording Secretary.

SUMMARY OF TREASURER'S REPORT—W. H. M. U.
JANUARY 1, 1913, TO JANUARY 1, 1914

Receipts:

From Senior Auxiliaries	\$5,574.30
From Junior Auxiliaries	122.90
From Juvenile Auxiliaries	35.24
From Sunday Schools	202.02
From Interest and Dividends	938.70
From Individual Gifts	134.40
From Annual Collection	12.00
 Total receipts	 \$7,019.56
Cash on hand January 1, 1913	240.85
	\$7,260.41

Disbursements:

State Work	\$4,871.81
American Missionary Association	802.14
Congregational Church Building Society	222.13
Congregational Education Society	179.69
Schauffler School	165.31
Sunday School and Publishing Society	85.02
Ministerial Relief	120.83
Benzonia	130.00
Olivet	100.00

Expenses:

Trustees' Expense	\$22.23
Speakers' Expense	5.04
Delegates' Expense	31.00
Treasurer's Salary	100.00
Postage	9.01
Printing and Stationery	91.59
Treasurer's Bond	12.50
State Officers' Expense	9.76
Association President's Traveling Expense	11.87
Sundries	3.00
	296.00

Total disbursements	\$6,972.93
Cash on hand January 1, 1914	287.48
	\$7,260.41

REPORT OF MICHIGAN BRANCH, W. B. M. I.

Minutes of Forty-first Annual Meeting

The forty-first annual meeting of the Michigan Branch of the W. B. M. I. was called to order by the president, Mrs. Louis P. Haight, Thursday morning, April 30, 1914, in the First Congregational church of Pontiac.

The business committee was appointed as follows: Mrs. Appledorn, Kalamazoo; Mrs. Harper, Pontiac, and Mrs. Long, Calumet. This committee to report later in the session.

The devotional service was led by Mrs. George Ferris of Detroit. The hymn, "The Son of God Goes Forth to War," was sung after which the Scripture lesson was read from Deuteronomy, first chapter beginning with the 41st verse, and the 78th Psalm, the subject being Warfare. After prayer the hymn, "Fling Out the Banner," was sung.

Reports of secretaries were given as follows:

Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. F. E. Hammond.

Junior Secretary—Mrs. A. C. Diefenbach.

Juvenile Secretary—Mrs. G. P. Kingsbury.

The treasurer, Mrs. E. H. Eichelzer, read a most encouraging report which was accepted with a rising vote of thanks.

We next received cordial greetings from the Woman's Board in Chicago, given by Mrs. S. E. Hurlbut.

The business committee reported as follows:

Credentials—Mrs. W. C. Allen, Leslie; Mrs. Holman, Ann Arbor; Mrs. Burrell Tripp, Allegan.

Resolutions—Mrs. C. R. Wilson, Detroit; Mrs. Harriett Aldrich, Union City; Mrs. L. K. Long, Calumet.

Place of Meeting—Miss Andrews, Flint; Mrs. Addie Shriver, Hudson; Mrs. J. F. Bacon, Hopkins.

Nominations to Report One Year Later—Mrs. George E. Thompson, Owosso; Miss Anna Palin, Grand Rapids; Miss Mary Moore, St. Clair.

The budget, as recommended by the executive board for 1914-1915, was given by Mrs. E. H. Eichelzer and adopted.

The W. B. M. I. policy, including the standard of excellence, was presented by Mrs. L. O. Lee of Chicago. This policy was adopted.

The Golden Anniversary Building Fund was enthusiastically given by Mrs. E. R. Latham. This is a plan to raise \$250,000 for buildings during the next five years. Michigan is asked

for \$15,000. A motion was made to accept the amount of \$15,000 for our share of the fund. This was seconded and carried.

Adjourned for luncheon served by the Methodist ladies. At a special table the Young People's Societies were addressed informally by Mrs. Lee, Miss Corbett and others.

The afternoon session was called to order by Mrs. Haight. Mrs. Diefenbach, who was in charge of the Young People's hour, announced the hymn, "Jesus Saves." Miss Lucia Lyons, returned missionary from Pang Chaung, China, led the devotional service. Mrs. Lee gave a very interesting talk about Turkey, where the Young People's missionary is working. Two Turkish women, in costume, were introduced. Mrs. McColl and Mrs. Judson of Grand Rapids. Mrs. McColl read a letter from Mrs. E. D. Marden of Constantinople.

We were now favored with a solo by Mrs. Wells of Pontiac. Next came the five-minute calls from our missionaries.

Mrs. Stoneman of St. Joseph, talked about Miss Jessie Hoppin of Micronesia.

Mrs. Stanchfield of Ann Arbor, talked of Miss Grace Stowe of Kobe, Japan.

Mrs. Fisher of Detroit, told us about Miss Jeanette Miller of Ciyaka, West Central Africa.

Miss Van Deman of Benzonia, in costume, told us of Miss Grace McConaughey of Tenchowfu, China.

Mrs. Lee told of Miss Cold of Aintab, Turkey.

Miss Corbett told of Miss Louise E. Miske of Peking, China.

Miss Lucia Lyon spoke of Miss Mabel Huggins of Pang Chaung, China.

Mrs. Long told of her daughter, Miss Ethel Long, in Lintsing, China.

At this time we had the pleasure of listening to an organ solo by Mrs. McKnight of Pontiac.

The address of the afternoon was given by Miss May Corbett, who taught music in Union College in Peking, China. This was intensely interesting.

During the business hour the credential committee reported 45 delegates, 11 officers and eight visitors present at the meeting.

Report of committee on resolutions was given by Mrs. L. K. Long.

Report of committee on place of meeting was given by Mrs. Brown. An invitation from Kalamazoo was accepted.

A motion was made that the following recommendation from the board be adopted: "That any portion of the \$250 expense fund above the actual expenses of the year, be used by the Board to further the interest in the work through the state." This was adopted.

Committee on nominations reported as follows:

Honorary President—Mrs. L. Kassick, Jackson.

President—Mrs. Louis P. Haight, Muskegon.

First Vice President—Mrs. George A. Davis, Grand Rapids.

Second Vice President—Mrs. Archibald Hadden, Muskegon.

Third Vice President—Mrs. W. A. Gibson, Jackson.

Fourth Vice President—Mrs. H. R. Blodgett, Cadillac.

Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. F. E. Hammond, Muskegon.

Asst. Corresponding Secretary—Miss E. J. Litimer, Muskegon.

Recording Secretary—Mrs. George T. Bemis, Grand Rapids.

Treasurer—Mrs. E. H. Eichelzer, Detroit.

Asst. Treasurer—Miss Marguerite White, Detroit.

Junior Secretary—Mrs. A. C. Diefenbach, Benton Harbor.

Juvenile Secretary—Mrs. F. W. Bates, Ovid.

Auditor—Mr. O. J. Wright, Detroit.

Advisory Board—Mrs. George L. Savage, Grand Rapids; Mrs. Edwin W. Bishop, Grand Rapids; Mrs. E. R. Warner, Jackson; Mrs. George Thompson, Owosso; Mrs. George Ferris, Detroit.

The report of this committee was accepted and a motion made that the secretary cast the ballot for the officers named. Carried and the ballot was cast.

A motion was made that the corresponding secretary send a letter of thanks to Mr. P. J. Farrel, auditor, for his services. Carried.

The secretary's report for the day was read and accepted and secretary instructed to complete the minutes after the evening session.

The evening service was opened by music by the church choir.

The Rev. J. R. J. Milligan, of Pontiac, was in charge of the devotional service. The address of the evening was given by Rev. Irving M. Channon of Micronesia. This proved to be very interesting and instructive. A collection was taken and the meeting adjourned to meet in April, 1915, in Kalamazoo.

MRS. GEORGE T. BEMIS,
Recording Secretary.

**REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE MICHIGAN BRANCH
OF THE W. B. M. I. FROM MARCH, 1913, TO APRIL 8, 1914**

RECEIPTS

Regular:

Total Receipts from Societies.....	\$7,015.32
Individual Gifts	791.50
Individual Gifts from Michigan, for Y. L.'s Work.....	100.00
Additional Gifts	99.10
Collection, Annual Meeting, Grand Rapids	16.40
Collection, Annual Meeting W. B. M. I., Detroit.....	57.58
 Total Receipts for Regular Work.....	 \$8,079.90

Special Gifts:—

Debt	\$201.00
Jackson, Mr. H. H. Hoffman, for Miss Heebner, Taiku.....	81.70
Merle Beach, Grove Church for Hospital, Shansi.....	2.45
Detroit, Fort Street Church for Monastir.....	2.00
Reed City, Mrs. Saml. Johnson, for Mr. and Mrs. Banning, (Pasumalai)	2.00
Saginaw, First Church Christmas Gift to Miss Louise E. Miske	10.00
Calumet, Girls' Mission Circle, for Miss E. Catlin, (Harpoot)	37.65
Detroit, Mrs. Mary A. Dewey, reading matter, Madura.....	10.00
Detroit, North Woodward Ave. Church Woman's Association, Christmas Gift to Miss Janette E. Miller.....	25.00
Saginaw, Mrs. B. B. Buckhout, for Miss Vorrell, Oofra, Turkey	10.50
Grand Rapids, Wallin, for boy in John X. Miller's School...	25.00

Building Fund:—

Sarah Pollock' Memorial, Samakov	9.00
Grand Rapids Park, Dr. Lucy Bement's Hospital Fund.....	50.00
Flint, Mrs. S. B. Holman, Bailundo School.....	1.00

Golden Anniversary Fund for Building:

Ann Arbor	\$22.00
Ann Arbor, Mrs. Thos. Sears.....	50.00
Detroit North Woodward Ave. Church Easter Thank Offering, Woman's Association.....	50.00
Detroit, Miss M. A. Eaman, for Kobe Domestic Science Building	200.00
Jackson, Mrs. Mary L. Kassick, for Kobe Domestic Science Building	100.00
St. Clair, Mrs. C. Moore.....	25.00
 Total Receipts for Special Work.....	 447.00

 Total Receipts	 914.30
 Total Receipts	 \$8,994.20

Disbursements:

Remitted Mrs. S. E. Hurlbut, Treasurer, W. B. M. I., Regular	\$7,972.85
Remitted Mrs. S. E. Hurlbut, Treasurer, W. B. M. I., Special	914.30
Expenses for State Work as per Itemized Account:	

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE MICHIGAN BRANCH OF THE W.
B. M. I. FROM MARCH 19th, 1913, TO APRIL 8th, 1914

RECEIPTS

Expenses:—

To Mrs. G. P. Kingsbury, Postage for Programs.....	\$1.20
To Mrs. C. F. Shirts, Telegram.....	.50
To Wilson Printing Co., Programs.....	5.85
To Miss Lucia Lyons, Traveling Expenses, Annual Meeting..	6.18
To Miss Annie L. Howe, Traveling Expenses, Annual Meeting	7.10
To Rev. August Jones, Traveling Expenses, Annual Meeting	3.20
To Wilson Printing Co., Apportionment Sheets.....	10.65
To Mrs. F. E. Hammond, Corresponding Secretary, Postage	2.97
To Dana Printing Co., Report Blanks.....	2.50
To W. B. M. I. Literature	6.00
To Stanton Printing Co., Annual Reports.....	45.40
To Wilson Printing Co., Postal Receipts and Index Cards..	9.50
To Mrs. G. P. Kingsbury, Juvenile Secretary, Postage.....	6.00
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	\$107.05
	\$8,994.20

MICHIGAN CONGREGATIONAL BROTHERHOOD

Minutes of the Fifth Annual Meeting

The fifth annual meeting of the Michigan Congregational Brotherhood was held in Grand Rapids on May 12th, 1914, in connection with the seventy-third annual meeting of the State Conference.

The business meeting was held first, being called to order by President S. E. Clark. After an opening prayer by Rev. E. W. Bishop, the minutes of the previous annual meeting were read by the secretary and approved. The president's annual report was then presented.

The president appointed the following committees: On nominations—Dr. James Hyslop, Rev. I. W. Stuart and Mr. L. P. Haight; and on resolutions—Rev. Victor F. Brown and Rev. M. J. Sweet.

The committee on revising the constitution then presented a brief and simplified constitution, which after being read and discussed, was adopted.

The nominating committee presented the following names for officers and directors for the coming year: For President, Mr. S. E. Clark of Detroit; for Vice President, Mr. E. B. Perry of Bay City, and for Secretary-Treasurer, Mr. H. B. Clement of Detroit. For Directors, Rev. C. E. Taggart of Cheboygan Association, Rev. Mac H. Wallace of Detroit Association, Rev. W. M. Todd of Eastern Association, Rev. M. Mullen of Genesee Association, Rev. Thomas Ainslie of Gladstone Association, Rev. C. O. Grieshaber of Grand Rapids Association, Rev. Demas Cochlin of Grand Traverse Association, Rev. Bastian Smits of Jackson Association, Rev. W. J. Campbell of Kalamazoo Association, Mr. E. Grierson of Lake Superior Association, Rev. J. S. Williamson of Lansing Association, Rev. A. Hadden of Muskegon Association, Rev. Jonathan Turner of North Central Association, Mr. C. J. Crissman of Saginaw Association, Rev. N. Skidmore of S. S. Marie Association, and Rev. James Hyslop of Southern Association, all of whom were duly elected.

Rev. J. Percival Huget then gave a brief report of the dissolution of the National Brotherhood, and of the arrangements for continuing its work by other organizations.

Following this was the delightful banquet given by the ladies of the First church, and at the close of the banquet the following toasts were responded to:

"The City Brotherhood at Work," Rev. Mac H. Wallace of Detroit.

"Reaching the Men of a Community," Rev. G. H. Hancock of Hart.

"Practical Lines of Brotherhood Work," Rev. E. R. Latham of Clinton.

"The Rural Brotherhood at Work," Rev. C. C. Omans of Grand Rapids.

These were listened to with the greatest interest.

The company then assembled in the auditorium of the church where with a large congregation they listened to an inspiring and helpful address by the National Moderator, Dr. Charles R. Brown, on the "Four Square Church."

Meeting adjourned.

H. B. CLEMENT,
Secretary.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

This is the fifth annual meeting of the Michigan Congregational Brotherhood, and the state brotherhood seems to have come to stay.

I have been told that even if it does but very little besides organizing and holding the annual meetings, with the banquet and the opportunity for fellowship, that it will be worth more than it costs; but this much is hardly satisfactory to your officers, and they are waiting and watching for other activities —things they can do, and such things as are not already covered by other agencies of the state conference.

We have, however, been doing what we could to encourage the organizing of new brotherhoods, and what we could to boost the Congregational Extension Fund. Last year we reported 64 organizations, an increase of 17 over 1912, and an increase of 789 members; while for 1913, there has been an increase of seven brotherhoods and 1,220 members including the boys' brotherhoods. The total number of members of brotherhoods and men's organizations January 1st, 1914, reported was 4,229, and the increase for 1912 and 1913 combined was 2,009, which would signify that the number of members has nearly doubled during the past two years, and the number of brotherhoods has increased for the last two years from 47 to 71, an increase of 51 per cent.

It is my opinion that if the new constitution which is to be proposed, is adopted, we shall double the number of brotherhoods as well as the number of members during 1914, and why not?

The Congregational Extension Fund adopted at Port Huron three years ago as the particular job of the brotherhood, needs a lot of attention, and while it is my opinion that the state brotherhood should not be a money raising institution, this fund is of such great importance that it may well be excepted.

January 1st, 1913, the fund amounted to \$3,655.16.

January 1st, 1914, the fund amounted to \$8,059.54.

This fund is not growing fast enough. A bunch of subscription blanks should be placed in the hands of every local brotherhood secretary, and should be made the special order at one meeting, if not more during the year, and the officers should also make a personal canvass of each of their men.

There is an unlimited opportunity for service and work

through the organized brotherhood. We are pleased to see the number increasing. We think there should be a brotherhood in every Congregational church in Michigan. Even in the smaller churches where there may be but a few men, a brotherhood organization composed of all the men of the church, and men outside of the church too, as is done at some places, would be a great tool in the hands of any minister for the promotion of the Master's work. We would also like to see every men's organization named the brotherhood. This very name means so much, and cannot possibly detract from the work these men are organized to do.

The social service commission of the Congregational church is the successor, or rather, perhaps, the substitute for the National Brotherhood organization. The same men are in charge with Mr. Henry A. Atkinson as secretary and executive head. They have already prepared a large number of pamphlets and other helps for this work, nearly every one of which will be useful to any brotherhood. Samples of these forms and helps may be obtained by writing to Mr. Atkinson, care Congregational House, No. 14 Beacon Street, Boston, Mass. We shall be very glad to have every men's organization order these samples, feeling sure if they do, that they will use many of them.

As I stated at the beginning, the state brotherhood seems to have come to stay. It remains for the officers and members to make it the power it can easily be for the promotion of the Master's work.

SEWARD E. CLARK,
President.

CONSTITUTION OF MICHIGAN CONGREGATIONAL BROTHERHOOD

ARTICLE I

Name—Michigan Congregational Brotherhood.

ARTICLE II

Object—The object of this brotherhood shall be to organize the men to work for the largest efficiency of the local church and the fellowship of Congregational churches throughout the state and to so relate, direct and inspire them that they shall become better friends, citizens and church-men.

ARTICLE III

Members—Any organization of men of whatever name, connected with any Congregational church in Michigan shall be eligible to membership upon making application to the secretary of the brotherhood for enrollment.

ARTICLE IV

Officers—SECTION 1. The officers of this body shall be president, vice president, and secretary-treasurer.

SEC. 2. The duties of these officers shall be such as ordinarily pertain to their office.

SEC. 3. These officers, together with one person from each local association in the state, shall constitute the board of directors in which the general direction of the brotherhood shall be vested. This board of directors shall have power to fill any vacancy during the year.

SEC. 4. The officers and board of directors shall be elected by ballot at the annual meeting of the brotherhood, and shall hold office for a term of one year or until their successors are elected.

ARTICLE V

Meeting—SECTION 1. The annual meeting shall be held at the time and place of the annual meeting of the Michigan Congregational Conference and the officers of the brotherhood shall confer and cooperate with the business committee of the state conference in arranging the brotherhood program.

SEC. 2. Each enrolled organization shall be entitled to representation in the state meeting by five voting delegates. Churches not having men's organizations and men's organizations not enrolled, shall be entitled to non-voting representation on the same basis.

ARTICLE VI

Amendments—This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote at any meeting. All proposed amendments must be submitted in writing to the president and secretary of the brotherhood not less than thirty days before the meeting.

THE LOCAL ASSOCIATIONS

CHEBOYGAN

Organized, Feb. 13, 1878.

Registrar, Rev. H. J. L. Wooley, Vanderbilt.

Meetings—Second Tuesday after first Monday in September.

Churches

Alba	Cheboygan	Ironton	Rondo
Atlanta	Eastport	Johannesburg	Vanderbilt
Bellaire	Echo	Kalkaska	Wolverine
Big Rock	Ellsworth	Lewiston	
Central Lake	Gaylord	Mancelona	
Charlevoix	Hetherton		

Ministers

A. A. Allington	E. M. Corey	C. E. Taggart
F. H. Bridgewater	J. L. Donovan	Jonathan Turner
J. H. Butler	T. H. Jones	A. Van Auken
Wm. Childs	C. I. Miller	H. J. L. Wooley
G. H. Cole	C. J. Strang	

Licentiate

Albert Dawe

Advisory Committee

Rev. H. J. L. Wooley, Rev. C. E. Taggart, Rev. A. Van Auken, Mr. J. E. Wiggins,
Mr. H. B. Whalley

DETROIT

Organized, May 4, 1887.

Registrar, Rev. Mac H. Wallace, Detroit.

Meetings—Fourth Tuesday of April and October.

Churches

Detroit, First	Dundee	Rochester
Detroit, N. Woodward Ave.	Flat Rock	Rockwood
Detroit, Fort Street	Maybee	Royal Oak
Detroit, Mt. Hope	Metamora	Thornville
Detroit, Brewster	Newport	Utica
Detroit, Boulevard	Orion	Wayne
Detroit, Highland Park	Oxford	Wyandotte
Detroit, Oakwood	Pontiac	

Ministers

P. A. Arnold	Wm. J. Jacobs	James C. Robinson
Wm. B. Forbush	Charles W. Jones	Wm. I. St. John
Lewis C. Frost	Paul Kozielek	John W. Sutherland
John C. Gibson	Charles C. Lowther	Milo J. Sweet
M. Lee Grant	Archie McCallum	Albert T. Swing
James C. Hageman	David C. McNair	C. I. Taylor
J. P. Huget	Wm. Mitchell	James M. Turner
J. F. Hutchinson	F. C. Pillsbury	Mac H. Wallace

Advisory Committee

Wm. H. Wetherbee, J. Percival Huget, David C. McNair, Mac H. Wallace,
Wm. J. Jacobs

EASTERN

Organized, March 12, 1840. Registrar, Mr. N. Cawthorne, Port Huron.

Meetings—First Tuesday of May and Third Tuesday of October.

Churches

Almont	Helena	Port Huron First	Richmond
Armada	Imlay City	Port Huron, 24th Street	Romeo
Carsonville	Memphis	Port Huron, Ross Mem.	St. Clair
Chesterfield	New Baltimore	Port Huron, Sturges Mem.	White Rock
Columbus	New Haven	Port Sanilac	

Ministers

Gilbert H. Bacheler	George P. Endy	Thomas R. McRoberts
George E. Brown	Edward H. Eppens	W. H. Sargent
Thomas Cooke	John Lambrecht	Wm. M. Todd
Rolph J. Duff		

Licentiates

E. M. Salter J. W. Green

Advisory Committee

Rev. E. H. Eppens, Rev. Thomas Cooke, Rev. Wm. M. Todd, Rev. T. R. McRoberts,
Mr. N. Cawthorne

GENESEE

Organized, October 14, 1845. Registrar, Rev. George Benford, Grand Blanc.

Meeting—Fourth Tuesday of September.

Churches

Bancroft	Grand Blanc	Ovid	Shaftsbury
Belford	Hartland	Owosso	Tyrone
Deerfield	Highland	Perry	Vernon
Durand	Laingsburg	St. Johns	Victor
Flint	Linden		

Ministers

George Benford	Clara L. Harbridge	M. G. Powley
Thomas E. Bennett	Carlos H. Hanks	Nathan W. Pierce
Ernest Evans	T. C. Jones	M. F. Scouten
Edward H. Harbridge	Matthew Mullen	W. H. Shannon.

Advisory Committee

Rev. Matt Mullen, Rev. George Benford, Rev. T. E. Bennett, Rev. M. F. Scouten,
Mrs. Maud C. Thompson

GLADSTONE

Organized, August 29, 1888. Registrar, Rev. W. Roy Columbus.

Meeting—Last Thursday in June.

Churches

Cooks	Gladstone	Rapid River
Fayette	Isabella	Wells
Garden		

Ministers

Thomas Ainslie

Licentiate

W. Roy Columbus

Advisory Committee

Rev. Thomas Ainslie, Rev. W. Roy Columbus, Mr. C. U. Woolpert,
Mr. Raymond R. Empson

GRAND RAPIDS

Organized, January 8, 1846. Registrar, Rev. D. A. Holman, Grand Rapids.

Meetings—Second Monday of April and October.

Churches

Ada, First	Conklin	Gd. Rapids, Smith Mem'l	Jenison
Ada, Second	Corinth	Gd. Rapids, Plymouth	Lamont
Allendale	Douglas	Gd. Rapids, East	Lowell
Alpine, Trinity	East Nelson	Gd. Rapids, Comstock Pk.	Middleville
Bass River	East Paris	Gd. Rapids, Wallin	Moline
Bradley	Elmdale	Grandville	Rockford
Cannon	Freeport	Howard City	Saugatuck
Cannonsburg	Gd. Rapids, First	Hudsonville	South Boston
Cedar Springs	Gd. Rapids, Second	Johnstown and Barry	Wayland
Clarksville	Gd. Rapids, South		

Ministers

Edwin W. Bishop
 E. C. Chevis
 Phillip M. Cripps
 Clarence Finster
 James F. Fryer
 Frank Fulkerson
 Robert Gordon
 C. O. Grieshaber
 L. E. Hague
 D. A. Holman

John T. Husted
 Ira B. Jones
 W. D. King
 A. H. Lash
 Isaac B. Lillie
 Herbert McConnell
 Samuel T. Morris
 Wm. D. Ogg.
 C. C. Omans

Thomas Parker
 Wm. Parker
 Fred Pinch
 Levi P. Rowland
 Charles H. Seaver
 J. W. Sherwood
 Arthur H. Sturgis
 Iman Wisse
 F. E. York

Licentiates

Harley A. Lewis

J. George Peters

R. L. Wintz

Advisory Committee

Rev. H. McConnell, Silas M. Wright, L. Z. Caukin, Rev. D. A. Holman,
 Rev. J. T. Husted

GRAND TRAVERSE

Organized, January 1, 1863.

Registrar, Rev. Demas Cochlin, Traverse City.

Meetings—First Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of October.

Churches

Benzonia
 Buckley
 Cedar
 Champion Hill
 East Lake
 Eden
 Frankfort
 Gilmore

Homestead
 Honor
 Lake Ann
 Manistee
 Maple City
 Northport
 Old Mission
 Omena

Onekema
 Pleasanton
 Sherman
 Suttons Bay
 Thompsonville
 Traverse City, First
 Traverse City, Oak Park

Ministers

Robert Adams
 Edwin I. Ayer
 Alfred Bentall
 W. C. Bowins
 J. S. Beers
 G. R. Catton

F. M. Chapin
 Demas Cochlin
 C. M. Coulter
 C. H. Harger
 Robert Houston
 Elihu Linkletter

George D. Lyford
 Harlow S. Mills
 B. C. Robbins
 John J. Staley
 Stephen Vaughan
 Leroy Warren

Licentiates

Wm. Huck

Rex O. Holman

R. T. Caldwell

Advisory Committee

Rev. Demas Cochlin, Rev. H. S. Mills, Rev. A. Bentall, Rev. Stephen Vaughan

JACKSON

Organized, May 1, 1866.

Registrar, Rev. W. C. Allen, Leslie.

Meetings—Third Tuesday in April and October.

Churches

Ann Arbor	Jackson, Plymouth	Salem, Second
Chelsea	Leslie	Sandstone
Dexter	Michigan Center	Union City
Grass Lake	Pinckney	Webster
Hamburg	Salem, First	Ypsilanti
Jackson, First		

Ministers

Wm. C. Allen	Percy V. Dawes	O. Lloyd Morris
Arthur G. Beach	Martin L. D'Ooge	L. Ostrander
Allan J. Blair	C. J. Dole	Frank M. Sheldon
Frederick H. Bodman	Arthur Fairbanks	Bastian Smits
Charles S. Calhoun	Matthew Knowles	Arthur A. Wall
Walter A. Cutler		

Advisory Committee

Rev. F. M. Sheldon, Rev. O. L. Morris, Rev. W. A. Cutler, Rev. C. J. Dole,
Rev. W. C. Allen

KALAMAZOO

Organized, June 1, 1849.

Registrar, Rev. S. E. Kelley, Allegan.

Meetings—Second Tuesday of April and third Tuesday of October.

Churches

Alamo	Cooper	Lawrence
Allegan	Covert	Leonidas
Athens	Dowagiac	Leroy
Augusta	Fredonia	Mattawan
Bangor	Galesburg	Otsego
Bangor, West	Grand Junction	Sawyer
Baroda	Hartford	St. Joseph
Bedford	Hilliards	South Haven
Benton Harbor	Hopkins, First	Texas
Bridgman	Hopkins, Second	Three Oaks
Coloma	Kalamazoo	Vicksburg
Constantine	Kendall	Watervliet

Ministers

J. F. Bacon	Wm. W. Gadd	Wm. Millar
C. D. Banister	R. Eugene Griggs	Ezra Morehouse
F. W. Bush	Edward H. Harvey	James A. Otis
W. J. Campbell	Fred Harrison	Ulysses G. Rich
F. E. Carter	H. W. Hunt	Wm. H. Skentelbury
Frank Davis	Augustine Jones	Wilmot E. Stevens
Walter B. Denny	Samuel E. Kelley	Henry C. Snyder
W. B. Dickinson	C. W. Long	Albert H. Stoneman
A. C. Diefenbach	John Mac Leod	Wm. H. Walker
W. H. Fuller	Wm. Mitchell	Henry Wilson

Licentiates

H. W. W. Allen	Alfred G. Walton	J. H. Roger
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Advisory Committee

Rev. Augustine Jones, Rev. S. E. Kelley, Rev. A. C. Diefenbach, Rev. W. J. Campbell, Mr. S. O. Hartwell

LAKE SUPERIOR

Organized, August 12, 1879. Registrar, Prof. James Fisher, Jr., Houghton.
Meetings—April and October.

Churches

Beacon Hill	Hancock	Lake Linden
Calumet	Hubbell	Red Jacket
Chassell	Kenton	Redridge

Ministers

Frederick Bagnall	Luther K. Long
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Licentiates

Stephen J. Paull	Rowland E. Hankin
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Advisory Committee

Mr. D. K. Macdonald, Mr. Angus F. Macdonald, Mr. E. S. Grierson, Prof. James Fisher, Jr., Rev. Frederick Bagnall

LANSING

Organized, March 30, 1880. Registrar, Rev. Wm. Wiedenhoeft, Stanton.
Meetings—Third Monday of March and Fourth Monday of September.

Churches

Belding	Grand Ledge	Rock Lake
Butternut	Greenville	Rodney
Carmel	Lake Odessa	Saranac
Carson City	Lake View	Sheridan
Charlotte	Lansing, Plymouth	Shiloh
Chester Station	Lansing, Pilgrim	Sidney
Chippewa Lake	Lansing, Mayflower	Six Lakes
Coral	Millett	Stanton
Crystal	Mulliken	Vermontville
East Lansing	Nevins Lake	Wacousta
Eaton Rapids	Olivet	Williamston
Edmore	Onondaga	
Fenwick	Portland	

Ministers

G. H. Alexander	Darius N. Goodrich	C. E. Robinson
John Bliss	Robert Goldsmith	John P. Sanderson
Arie Binkhorst	E. I. Grinnell	Peter Schermerhorn
Fred R. Bunker	Ray M. Hardy	Arthur F. Skeele
John Claflin	George B. Hatfield	A. H. Snelgrove
Edrie Collins	Ellsworth G. Lancaster	Archie F. Soule
Fred W. Corbett	N. D. Lamphear	F. P. Sprague
Robert Dalzell	Wm. J. Massey	W. S. Steensma
Joseph L. Daniels	Norman L. Otis	Wm. Wiedenhoeft
Wellington De Puy	St. Clare Parsons	James S. Williamson
James E. Foote	Wm. J. Prestige	E. Woolley
Frank H. Foster		

Licentiates

W. L. Frost	W. E. Lyon	B. D. Snook
Edwin Humphrey		

Advisory Committee

C. A. Gower, Rev. Wm. Wiedenhoeft, Rev. St. Clare Parsons, Rev. J. S. Williamson,
Rev. E. G. Lancaster

MUSKEGON

Organized, January 30, 1884. Registrar, Rev. Gordon C. Speer, Shelby.
Meetings—Last Monday of March and third Monday of September.

Churches

Big Prairie	Muskegon, First	Nunica
Fremont	Muskegon, Highland Park	Shelby
Fruitport	Muskegon, Jackson Street	White Cloud
Grand Haven	Newaygo	Whitehall
Hart		

Ministers

Archibald Hadden	Fred W. Ollis	F. W. Sass
George H. Hancock	R. W. Paul	G. C. Speer
Andrew B. Imrie	David Richie	Daniel Truman

Advisory Committee

Rev. Archibald Hadden, Frederick W. Sass, F. W. Ollis, G. H. Hancock,
Gordon C. Speer

NORTH CENTRAL

Organized, March 11, 1873.

Registrar, Rev. C. Upham, Hersey.

Meetings—Tuesday after the third Monday in September.

Churches

Baldwin	Clare	Harrison
Big Rapids, First	Custer	Hersey
Big Rapids, Twp.	Dover	Ludington
Cadillac	Farwell	Reed City
Chase	Fern	

Ministers

Wm. A. Cooledge	George W. Kinney	H. A. Putnam
James Davies	Henry C. McComas	Clement Upham
George W. Heator	E. J. Millington	F. M. Woodmansee
W. A. Hutchinson	Noah J. Myers	

Licentiate

Ira E. Kinney

Advisory Committee

Mr. W. L. Hammond, Rev. W. A. Hutchinson, Rev. H. A. Putnam,
Mr. V. H. Hanchett

SAGINAW

Organized, May 12, 1886.

Registrar, Rev. Robert Stapleton, Saginaw.

Meetings—The Wednesday next after the second Monday in October.

Churches

Alpena	Freeland	Saginaw, First
Bay City	Long Rapids	Saginaw, Genesee Street
Breckenridge	Merrill	Standish
Bridgeport	Roscommon	Tawas City
Essexville		

Ministers

A. L. Allison
 N. S. Bradley
 Victor F. Brown
 George H. Coman
 John W. Erskine

A. Ellsworth Hill
 Jacob H. Lewis
 George E. Northrup
 Albert E. Pomeroy
 J. Tilden Sloan

F. A. Smith
 Robert Stapleton
 W. D. J. Stevenson
 Irving W. Stuart

Licentiates

Albert Dawe

H. Kreulen

Advisory Committee

Rev. N. S. Bradley, Rev. I. W. Stuart, Rev. Victor F. Brown, Rev. Robert
 Stapleton, Mr. Frank L. Klienfeld

SAULT STE. MARIE

Organized, March 17, 1880.

Registrar, Mrs. Ella Soden, S. S. Marie, R. D.

Meetings—Fourth Tuesday and Wednesday of June.

Churches

Allenville
 Brimley

Drummond
 Mackinac Island

Pine Grove
 Rosedale

Ministers

Harry Appleton
 Wm. Etheridge

N. Skidmore

G. D. Strickland

Licentiate

Harry S. Scarlett

Advisory Committee

Mr. W. R. Gilbert, Mrs. Ella Soden, Mr. S. B. Poole, Rev. G. D. Strickland

SOUTHERN

Organized, June 27, 1848.

Registrar, Rev. E. R. Latham, Clinton.

Meetings—Third Monday in April and October.

Churches

Algancee
 Addison
 Batavia
 Bethel
 Bronson
 Clinton
 East Gilead

Hudson
 Jefferson
 Litchfield
 Mattison
 Morenci
 North Adams
 Pittsford

Prattville
 Ransom
 Somerset
 Tipton
 West Adrian
 Wheatland

Ministers

John H. Ashby	Edwin Ewell	Ernest R. Latham
Thomas G. Baxter	John S. Gillespie	Clarence D. Oberlin
Henry. Coate	Walter T. Hinzman	Jared R. Preston
Henry P. Collin	Fred S. Hurlburt	E. Jasper Sipes
John E. Counter	James Hyslop	M. Guy Van Buskirk
Isaiah E. Crites	A. Joseph Kempton	

Advisory Committee

Rev. H. P. Collin, Mr. J. F. Douglass, Rev. Ernest R. Latham, Rev. James Hyslop,
Rev. J. H. Ashby

BRANCH, MISSION AND OUT-STATION SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Name of School	Superintendent	Superintendent's Address	Members
Beaver Creek	Mrs. Liley Nelston	Wellington	40
Beulah Union	M. Roy Dokey	Beulah	60
Breckenridge Union Bible School	E. E. Stone	Breckenridge, R. D.	60
Boonville .....	.....	.....	35
Center Plains	L. B. Merrill	Grayling	38
Churchills	Mrs. Edmund Wilson	East Jordan, R. D. 3 ..	40
Clearbrook	T. W. Good	Cedar	35
Cresswell	George Fox	Kewadin	40
Demerly	Miss Grace Chapel	Benzonia	36
Detroit, Pilgrim Bible School	W. L. Earl	1219 Waterloo Ave.	145
Edgemere	Mrs. Charles Schrader	Beacon Hill	25
Edwards	Mrs. F. Harper	Atlanta	55
Finkton	Arthur Glasford	East Jordan, R. D. 3 ..	35
Gibraltar	Charles Hanchett	Rockwood, R. D.	34
Gordon	V. D. Talmage	Muskegon, R. D. 6 ..	40
Grange Hall	Mrs. Frank Woodin	Vanderbilt	25
Greenwood	Mrs. John Donald	Leer	45
Hampton	Rev. Henry Kreulen	Essexville	31
Hatfield	Mrs. Henry Barton	Big Rapids, R. D.	40
Hitchcock	Wallace Freeman	Hitchcock	20
Iroquois .....	.....	.....	30
Kaleva	Ellsworth Billman	Kaleva	50
Kenney	Frank E. Smith	Covert	16
Lane End .....	.....	.....	11
Langport Union	N. G. Clark	Merril, R. D. 1	70
Liberty Union .....	.....	.....	10
McCormack	Mrs. E. McCormack	Lewiston	20
Madison	Bertha Tuthil	Gaylord, R. D.	40
Murner	Lester Ballou	Gaylord, R. D.	45
Neebish	John S. Wickman	Neebish	18
North Crystal	Mrs. Robert Joiner	Beulah	27
Ogontz	Miss Ethel Johnston	Ogontz	15
Packard	Smith Parks	So. Haven, R. D. 3 ..	35
Peoples	Frank Akin	Bellaire, R. D. 3 ..	30
Quick	F. Meadsker	Quick	40
Rockery	J. H. Jones	Chestonia	25
Rock Lake	W. E. Ward	Vestaburg, R. D 2 ..	40
Schenck	H. O. Miller	Fremont, R. D. 5 ..	45
Spangler Union	H. H. Patterson	Almont	17
Springdale Union	Thomas Moore	Thompsonville, R. D. 2	30
Thornville Union	Claud Rogers	Metamora, R. D.	75
Torch Lake	Miss D. Dunning	Eastport	35
Town Line	Henry Howard	Benzonia	35
Townsend	Alexander Geno	Almont, R. F. D.	35
Union S. S.	John Phillips	Benzonia, R. D.	20
Vance	George Vance	East Jordan, R. D. 5 ..	35
Wellston Union	E. P. Bast	Wellston	32
Westwood	Mrs. Rose Woodhams	Mancelona	70
Total			1833

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CONGREGATIONAL CONFERENCE. Organized Oct. 11, 1842. OFFICERS: Rev. Edwin W. Bishop, Grand Rapids, moderator; Rev. J. W. Sutherland, Lansing, registrar and superintendent; L. P. Haight, treasurer. SESSION OF 1915: Traverse City, May 18-20.

CITIES OR TOWNS	ORG.	CHURCHES	CLERKS	MINISTERS			ORD.	C.D.	MA.	FE.	TO.	AB.	C.	L.	TO.	DI.	L.	R.	TO.	AD.	BAPT.	FAM.	
				Names	Names	Names																	
1 Ads, 1st,	1849	Mrs. Jerome Cramton,	[M. E. Remmle, <i>Wes. M.</i>]	'00	'13	'23	37	60	12	8	12	20	"	10	14	2	1	1	4	2	60		
2 " 2d,	1875	1882	Miss Florence Bickford,	[J. D. Livingston, <i>Bapt.</i>]	'09	'12	13	45	58	10	4	5	7	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	30		
3 Addison,	1884	1886	Mrs. Martha A. Peck,	[C. D. Banister, ^a	'86	'11	13	42	55	13	2	5	7	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	28		
4 Alamo,	1867	1869	John Westervelt,	[T. H. Jones, <i>Lic.</i>]	'79	'13	18	31	49	10	5	17	1	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	8		
5 Alba,	1879	1884	Mrs. Rhoda Casteel, ^b	[Ree. Anderson, <i>Pres.</i>]	'94	'10	34	85	119	11	30	4	34	2	2	2	1	1	1	3	20	200	
6 Algancee,	1886	1903	Ernest N. Hulley,	[Samuel E. Kelley,	'13	'12	23	43	66	18	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	50	
7 Allegan,	1858	1864	John J. Wolbrink,	[Harold Heaford, ^d	'71	'13	10	13	23	9	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	7		
8 Allendale,	1871	1874	Mrs. B. McCauley,	[A. A. Graves, <i>M. E.</i>]	'02	'09	62	121	183	42	30	4	34	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	7	
9 Allerville,	1892	1895	Miss Sarah Durham,	[George P. Endy,	'94	'08	145	272	417	59	25	4	29	7	5	9	21	7	20	20	310		
10 Almont,	1838	1875	Charles W. McLean,	[Irving W. Stuart,	'91	'11	32	53	85	12	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	56		
11 Alpena,	1862	1892	Mrs. E. H. Rogers, ^a	[Chester C. Omans, ^a	'01	'12	210	310	520	93	32	51	83	22	27	115	164	7	4	274			
12 Alpine, Trinity,	1909	1871	G. Claude Drake,	[Frank M. Sheldon,	'73	'13	29	88	117	1	1	4	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	150		
13 Ann Arbor,	1847	1875	Charles F. Lathrop,	[Rolph J. Duff,	'88	'11	33	61	94	7	5	3	8	2	3	5	5	5	5	5	1		
14 Armada,	1838	1845	Wm. A. Padden,	[W. W. Gadd,	'86	'13	4	5	9	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
15 Athens,	1878	1879	Elmer G. Smith,	[George W. Kinney,	'13	'12	40	40	80	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	40		
16 Atlanta,	1896	1913	Christian Johannes,	[Rudolf Wilken,																			
17 Au Gres, <i>German</i> ,	1911	1913	Miss Francis Field,	[Ira E. Kinney, <i>Lic.</i>]	'12	5	17	22	4	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	13	27	
18 Augusta,	1849	1852	Miss Maud C. Townsend,	[Wm. H. Shannon, <i>Lic.</i>]	'81	'12	21	58	79	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
19 Baldwin,	1879	1883	James D. Ferguson,	[Lawrence G. Kent, ^{as}	'02	'10	20	30	50	10	4	14	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
20 Bancroft,	1880	1886	Miss Etta Wilcox, ^{bb}	[Lawrence G. Kent, ^{as}	'02	'10	17	27	44	11	7	13	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
21 Bangor, 1st,	1883	1885	Wm. E. Hogue,	[Henry Wm. W. Allen, <i>Lic.</i>]	'12	28	57	85	3	6	7	13	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	130	
22 " West,	1873	1879	Wm. J. Bosch, ^c	[Harold Heaford, ^{dd}	'13	'12	6	8	14	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	7	
23 Baroda,	1892	1893	F. B. Waters,	[Victor F. Brown,	'93	'10	119	183	302	16	13	29	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	20	
24 Bass River,	1887	1890	James J. Gilbert, ^{ee}	[Stephen J. Paul, <i>Lic.</i>] ^{aa}	'12	1	8	9	1	3	4	7	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
25 Batavia,	1875	1876	Harold Manby, ^{bb}	[J. H. Rokers, <i>Lic.</i>]	'13	30	58	88	28	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1			
26 Bay City,	1902	1903	E. B. Lapham,	[Frank H. Bridgewater, <i>Lic.</i>]	'92	'96	7	56	75	23	2	3	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1			
27 Beacon Hill,	1848	1893	Miss Minnie A. Belford,	[Arthur C. Diefenbach,	'03	'08	130	291	421	14	10	24	4	12	16	4	11	11	11	11	100		
28 Bedford,	1892	1879	Miss Minnie E. Young,	{ Harlow S. Mills,	'77	'96	27	76	163	25	14	10	24	7	58	7	52	27	150	5			
29 Belding,	1896	1897	J. D. McKellar,	{ R. T. Caldwell, <i>Asst., Lic.</i>]	'13	'13	115	182	297	27	46	12	24	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
30 Belford,	1883	1885	F. S. Hurlburt, ^{cc}	{ Wm. Huck, <i>Asst., Lic.</i>]	'84	'13	7	15	22	15											15		
31 Bellaire,	1866	1913	Mrs. Sadie Osborn, ^{ee}																				
32 Benton Harbor,																							
33 Benzonia,																							
34 Bethel,																							
^a Kendall.																							
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^{jj} Bronson, R.D.																							

^{aa} Kibbie.
^{bb} Battle Creek, R.D. 7.

^{cc} Bronson, R.D.

^{dd} South Haven, R.D.

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SUNDAY SCHOOLS		CHURCH TREASURERS		OFFERINGS FOR THE BENEVOLENT SOCIETIES												SALARIES, VALUES, ETC			
Superintendents	Members	Young People's Soc., Mem.	Men's Soc., Mem.	Womans' Boards	A. B. C. F. M.	Ministerial	Other Religious	Congregational	Denominational	Gifts	Home Expenses	Salaries	Value Church Property	Investment	Amount of Debt				
1 Miss Nellie Smith,	130	35	Merle Cramton,	\$	\$3	\$5	\$25	\$	\$6	\$	\$39	\$30	\$600	**\$1,600	\$	\$			
2 Rev. J. D. Livingstone,	50		Alfred K. Dean,	5	5	1	2	28	3	5	1	50	872	624	*3,000				
3 Rev. A. A. Hopkins,	50	12	Theodore Boman,	2	10	3	23	4	2	36	600	400	1,900						
4 Mrs. F. Myers,	50		Agnes Anderson,	10					40	40	614	1600	2,500						
5 Perry Tift, ^a	30		L. G. Casteel, ^b	13	1	1	61	7	1	1	85	200	200	*1,500					
6 Perry Tift, ^a	140		Mrs. Ray Perrigo,	13	1	2	31	5	10	1	55	2,150	1,200	8,000	5,000				
7 I. A. Kroft,	140		Mrs. Nettie Parm, ^c	5								603	1500	3,000					
8 John J. Wolbrink,	50	16	Mrs. J. D. Erskine,	15								150	1275	*800					
9 John Summerby,	40	14	Ralph P. Harris,	14								68	88	5	1,669	800	20,000		
10 Rev. Geo. P. Endy,	115		John F. Wilkinson,	145	91	25	35	270	50	30	25	671	175	5,914	1,600	26,000			
11 Willard T. Warren,	360	90	Kenneth Hankinson, ^d	5	33	4	25	2	6	5	80	82	52	1,379	800	6,000			
12 Clara L. Johnston, ^d	141	37	John F. Royce,	208	376	42	42	549	128	41	27	1,413	127	6,135	3,000	*60,000			
13 W. D. Moriarty,	h 293	83	George A. True,	10								17	17	1,486	800	3,500	825	250	
14 H. J. Barrows,	119		Mahlan Gould,									25	25	800	600	4,500			
15 Miss Josie Stimson,	105	20	Edward Cameron,											400	1600	5,500			
16 G. W. Kinney,	35		George Dittenbir,											400	1600	5,500	200		
17 Rev. R. Wilken,	45		Mrs. E. Moore,											19	19	1,600	2,500		
18 Rev. Ira E. Kinney,	135	18	Miss May Roberts,											13	17	450	1,550		
19 Rev. Otto B. Euler,	85		H. B. Shane,											49	49	1,107	800		
20 James M. Brown,	75	30	Wm. D. Taylor,											36	36	1,200	424		
21 Eugene I. Wilcox,	h 75		Mrs. Sarah Hubbard,	15	5	3	14	4	4	1	26	362	226	*800	6,500				
22 Charles Nye,	164	55	H. K. Nold,	15	2	6	27	8	1	1	59	40	812	7700	3,000				
23 John Van Huizen,	25		Peter McMillan,								3	6	125	1100	*600		300		
24 E. B. Perry,	366	60	W. B. Perry,									75	134	5,612	1,600	17,500			
25 Rev. S. J. Paull, ^e	35		M. H. Cunningham, ^a	1	1	1	2	1				6	6	290	1,390	*2,000			
26 E. W. Jordan,	55		E. W. Jordan,									10	10	566	500	4,000			
27 H. A. Smith,	90		Carrie Reed,									15	15	2,250	1,000	12,000			
28 Wm. Robinson,	65		Mrs. Nellie Deevy,									28	28	139	400	4,500			
29 H. C. Baster,	25	40	E. C. Bowby,	153	60	72	12	279	90	55	27	736	150	58128	1,800	*65,000			
30 W. D. Carpenter,	h 225	40	E. T. Huntington,	288				200	77			577	250	2,000	800	7,000			
31 Francis Keyes, ^{bb}	35		Francis Keyes, ^{bb}								2	2	250	150	*2,000				
32 Howard Harris,																			

^b Montgomery.^c Quincy, R.D. 4.^d Grand Rapids, R.D. 1.^e Missionary aid to salary. * No parsonage.^{aa} Freda.^{bb} Bronson.^{cc} Redridge.

2. White Cliffs, R.D.
cc Cannonsburg, R.D. 67.

Cannonsville.
bbb Saranac.

as Wayland.
ccc Lenox, R.D.

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CITIES OR TOWNS	ORG.	CHURCHES		CLERKS		MINISTERS		MEMBERS		ADMITTED		REMOVED		BAPT.		FAM.	
		REC'D.	REC'D.	Names	Names	ORD.	C'D	MA.	FE.	TO.	C.	L.	DI.	L.	R.	TO.	
75 Cooper,	1843	1855	Cyrus A. Walker, ^a	[E. Rushbrook, <i>Bapt.</i>]	Robert Gordon, ^c	'85	'12	22	58	80	28	2	3	5	5	60	
76 Coral,	1872	1872	Dr. E. W. Bolio,	Robert Harrison,	Fred Harrison,	'13	'12	12	35	47	10	1	2	6	9	25	
77 Corinth,	1893	1893	Mrs. F. M. King, ^b	[Walter E. Lyon, <i>Lic.</i>]	Frank M. Woodmansee,	'99	'11	39	76	115	22	1	4	5	1	4	
78 Covert,	1870	1879	Mrs. Laura E. Spelman,	[J. Percival Huguet, <i>i.</i>]	[Paul Kozielek, <i>Pol. Br.</i>]	'03	'10	402	638	1040	95	30	20	5	15	450	
79 Crystal,	1877	1877	Mrs. Mabel M. Marcy,	Chester Burge Emerson, <i>i.</i>	W.M. Lee Grant,	'09	'13	273	456	729	105	25	15	40	19	40	
80 Custer,	1879	1889	Miss Margaret Chisholm,	[N. C. Hageman, <i>Sup.</i>]	[J. C. Hageman, <i>Sup.</i>]	'97	'11	121	236	357	14	10	24	4	19	45	
81 Deerfield,	1900			Mac H. Wallace,	Mac H. Wallace,	'88	'94	194	270	464	35	9	8	1	7	82	
82 Detroit, 1st,	1844	1892	Joseph A. Richrath, ^d	Wm. J. Jacobs, <i>r.</i>	Wm. J. Jacobs, <i>r.</i>	'96	'99	125	225	350	28	12	40	2	16	465	
83 " North Woodward av.,	1866	1911	Fred W. Chamberlin, ^e	Charles C. Lowther,	Charles C. Lowther,	'11	'11	72	70	142	3	18	10	2	16	350	
84 " Fort st.,	1881	1902	F. Albert Ebeling, ^{as}	[John George Peters, <i>Lic.</i>]	[John George Peters, <i>Lic.</i>]	'12	'18	45	63	17	2	2	1	8	9	40	
85 " Mt. Hope,	1888	1889	Charles J. Weber, ^{bb}	Ulysses G. Rich,	George D. Strickland,	'89	'11	21	96	117	19	10	6	16	7	50	
86 " Brewster,	1894	1906	E. S. Stringer, ^{ee}	[O. L. Stilson, <i>M. P.</i>]	[O. L. Stilson, <i>M. P.</i>]	'03	'13	11	48	59	11	2	3	4	7	40	
87 " Boulevard,	1897	1913	Reginald L. Blomfield, ^{dd}	M. F. Scouten,	M. F. Scouten,	'86	'11	36	74	110	25	3	4	7	1	75	
88 " Highland Park,	1908	1909	J. H. Hillis, ^{ee}	[Oscar S. Martin, <i>Bapt.</i>]	[Oscar S. Martin, <i>Bapt.</i>]	'12	'25	36	61	18	1	1	1	1	1	60	
89 " Oakwood,	1913	1901	Wm. J. Spurr, ^{as}	Wm. S. Steensma,	[A. C. Parson, <i>M. E.</i>] ^{aaaa}	'10	'12	75	89	164	33	4	11	15	1	20	
90 Dexter,	1839	1883	Mrs. O. V. Matteson,	C. T. Miller,	C. T. Miller,	'12	'5	23	28	9	1	3	1	8	9	150	
91 Douglas,	1882	1884	Mrs. Frank W. Wade, ^{bb}	John Clafin,	John Clafin,	'82	'10	10	18	28	4	2	2	2	2	50	
92 Dover,	1887	1888		Ephraim M. Corey, ^{eee}	Ephraim M. Corey, ^{eee}	'86	'08	17	77	94	22	1	1	1	1	16	
93 Dowagiac,	1850	1855	Miss Elma Kinsey,	[Raymond T. Caldwell, <i>Lic.</i>]	[Raymond T. Caldwell, <i>Lic.</i>]	'86	'11	36	74	110	25	3	4	7	1	100	
94 Drummond,	1893	1901	Mrs. E. S. McAdam,	Byron H. Peitton,	Byron H. Peitton,	'94	'13	11	30	41	13	1	1	4	4	150	
95 Dundee,	1837	1901	Mrs. Jessie V. Libbey,	[Frank H. Bridgewater, <i>Lic.</i>]	[Frank H. Bridgewater, <i>Lic.</i>]	'72	'03	4	11	15	5	1	1	3	1	32	
96 Durand,	1896	1894	John G. Show,	Wm. Parker,	Wm. Parker,	'12	'11	6	15	21	3	2	1	3	1	80	
97 East Giead,	1865	1881	Emory W. Hilton, ^{ccc}	[Henry Kreulen, <i>Lic.</i>]	[Henry Kreulen, <i>Lic.</i>]	'13	'26	26	52	3	1	1	1	1	1	150	
98 East Lake,	1882	1901	Miss Jessie Dailey,	Henry Mosley, <i>Sup.</i>	Henry Mosley, <i>Sup.</i>	'13	'16	7	26	33	9	7	2	9	2	10	
99 East Lansing,	1907	1910	E. H. Ryder,	[W. Roy Columbus, <i>Lic.</i>] ^{bbbb}	[W. Roy Columbus, <i>Lic.</i>] ^{bbbb}	'12	'1	16	32	48	1	1	1	4	1	100	
100 East Nelson,	1888	1889	W. D. Benjamin, ^{ee}			'11	'13	7	11	18	1	1	1	4	1	30	
101 East Paris,	1860	1887	Miss Jennie M. Patterson, ^{bb}														
102 Eastport,	1885		Mrs. Eunice Johnson, ^{ccc}														
103 Eaton Rapids,	1843	1877	Miss Janette Hosier,														
104 Echo,	1903		Mrs. B. L. Caukin, ^{add}														
105 Eden,	1913		Mrs. L. T. Clark, ^{aaa}														
106 Edmore,	1879	1880	Miss Evia A. Giles,														
107 Ellsworth,	1888	1900	Mrs. Fannie Patterson,														
108 Elmdale,	1910	1910	Mrs. Honor Chambers,														
109 Essexville,	1879	1879	Mrs. Estelle G. Linsea,														
110 Farwell,	1872	1876	Mrs. W. C. Fuller,														
111 Fayette,	1887	1911	W. Roy Columbus, ^{bb}														
112 Fenwick,	1894	1893	T. W. Worden,														
" Kalamazoo, R.D. 12.		" Ross, R.D. 61.		" Moline.		" Merrick av.		" Casgrain.		" 150 Merrick av.		" 164 E. Grand.		" 400 Majestic bldg.		" 7 Casgrain.	
" Sand Lake, R.D. 38.		" Cedar Springs.		" Grand Rapids, R.D.		" Navarre.		" Central Lake, R.D. 2.		" Kinderhook, R.D. 1.		" 17 Casgrain.		" 125 Merrick av.			
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SUNDAY SCHOOLS		Y. P. Mens S. Mem		CHURCH TREASURERS		OFFERINGS FOR THE BENEVOLENT SOCIETIES										SALARIES, VALUES, ETC.					
Superintendents	Mem	A. B. C. | Wom's F. M. | Bds.	C. E. | C. C. B. | C. H. M. | A. M. | C. S. S. | Min. Soc. | Soc. | A. | & P. S. | Relief | Totals	\$35	\$30	\$	\$425	\$600	\$3,000	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$		
75 Mrs. Florence Sleman, ^a	70		Cyrus A. Walker, ^a	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$30	\$	\$5	\$	\$35	\$30	\$	\$425	\$600	\$3,000	\$	\$	
76 Geo. McCloskey,	25		Thomas Hill,	3	1	3	20	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	2,500	
77 Frank Dean, ^b	50		Mrs. John Burgess, ^b	3	22	4	45	8	5	84	84	84	84	84	84	84	84	84	84	*2,500	
78 Robert J. Hartman,	144		Henry Wilson,																	6,000	600
79 Alvah Lascelle,	h 125	30	J. M. Lascelle,	5																2,700	300
80 Wm. French,	60		Mrs. R. E. Brayman,																	2,400	
81																				1,550	
82 Jas. Schermerhorn, hm	680	55	x250 George M. Lane,	2,204	522	377	181	2,234	622	210	156	6,506	3,735	1,396	13793	5,000	*200,000	6,922			
83 P. O. Pennington,	500	z25	John C. Shaw,	38	428	22	78	2,187	148	150	6	3,057	1,829	232	12490	3,000	*160,000		10,000		
84 F. A. Eberling,	455	76	F. W. Huson,	70	50	20	20	150	40	31	15	396	150	10	3,678	1,500	*36,000				
85 Henry J. Stecker,	108		James Bell,																	1,194	
86 Arthur Z. Mitchell,	440	58	210 Charles E. Wisner,	12	95		160	26	25	318	740	26	25	25	8,531	2,400	*50,000		4,500		
87 John Lemon,	575	121	Obidiah Roszel,	41			145	6	217	76	62	10075	1,500							2,000	
88 J. H. Hillis,	160	60	z32 R. M. Satherland,				25	5	2	32	52	10	1,200	11,500	*30,000					800	
89 Levi Clark, ^c	101		x12 Joseph W. Payton, ^c																	*2,000	
90 Mrs. O. V. Matteson,	30		Alonzo Olssaver,																	5,000	3,000
91 Hubert White, ^d	60		Miss Grace Taylor,	17			5	22	4	7	3	58	800	800	600	600	600	600	600	2,000	500
92																					
93 Wm. Murphy,	204		z39 Mrs. Robert Wiley,				5	10	88	10	20	5	138	86	28	1,505	1,000	10,000	10,000	500	
94 G. D. Strickland,	27		Mrs. G. D. Strickland,	3	26	35															
95 O. J. McBride,	90		Miss Clara L. Carr,																		
96 Phillip Cline,	133		F. N. Conn,	2	2	16	27	2	3	2	61	61	16	7	2,419	736	8,000	7,800	300		
97 Curtis Maybry, ^e	45		John Hardinger, ^{aa}																	*1,600	
98																				1,500	
99 E. A. Bessy,	h	300	x284 C. W. Brown,	55			36	2	3	5	91	65	183	2,400	1,600	*17,500				2,400	
100 Mrs. Anna Newman,	40		Mrs. M. Newman, ^b				28			28			200	150	150					*800	
101																				*1,000	
102 Mrs. Eunice Johnson, ^{ee}	40		Mrs. M. Chamberlain,	1	1	1	4		1	8										*500	
103 Mrs. M. Rushton,	73		W. Scott Munn,				45			51										8,000	2,900
104																					
105 Chancery J. Call,	65	35	Leroy Clark, ^{dd}				4		2	4											
106 Evia A. Giles,	40		Miss Lefia B. Giles,	8																	
107																					
108		30																			
109 Mrs. E. Linsea,	80																				
110 Fabian Hinkle,	50																				
111																					
112 W. G. Wolverton,	31																				

^a Kalamazoo, R.D. ^b Ross, 61. ^c Navarre. ^d Saugatuck. ^e Central Lake, R.D. 2.

^{dd} Beulah, R.D.

^{aa} Kinderhook, R.D. 1.

^{bb} Sand Lake, 38.

^{ee} Bronson, R.D. 7. ^{cc} Missionary aid to salary. * No parsonage.

CITIES OR TOWNS	CHURCHES	ORG.	CLERKS		MINISTERS		MEMBERS		ADMITTED		REMOVED		BAFT.							
			REC'D.	REC'D.	Names	Names	ORD.	C.D.	MA.	FE.	TO.	AB.	C.	L.	DI.	L.	R.	To.	AD.	INF.	FAM.
113 Fern,	1902 1908 Herman Bedker, ^a	Frank M. Woodmansee, ^b	'99	'09	2	3	5													3
114 Flier City,	1883 1884 Mrs. R. Balsam,	Robert Houston,	'91	'12	2	3	5													4
115 Flat Rock,	1858 1901 Miss Mary Andrews,	Ernest Evans,	'95	'07	49	151	200	16	1	5	6	6	20	26	3	6	3	4	50	
116 Flint,	1867 1900 Mrs. M. Woodward,	Stephen Vaughan,	'95	'10	20	54	74	9	6	8	10	6	12	1	4	1	6	3	8	135
117 Frankfort,	1868 1870 Mrs. R. M. Woodward,				6	10	16	6	6	6	12	1	4	1	6	1	6	12	12	80
118 Fredonia,	1861 1911 Mrs. Charles J. Fox, ^c				12	14	17	38	55	6	5	4	9	2	2	2	2	2	1	25
119 Freeland,	1891 1894 Floyd W. Lewis,	W. C. Bowins,	'12	'11	15	28	43	6	4	4	1	2	9	12	3	12	3	1	40	
120 Freeport,	1877 1877 L. E. Moore,	Wm. Parker,	'12	'11	32	93	125	16	14	8	22	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	8	7
121 Fremont,	1875 1911 Mrs. F. H. Marsh,	Ralph W. Paul,	'12	'11	13	32	93	125	16	14	8	22	5	5	5	5	5	5	8	7
122 Fruitport,	1873 1873 Mrs. Frank Bowles,	F. W. Ollis, ^d	'06	'13	1	5	6													110
123 Galesburg,	1842 1861 Miss Louise Mack,	[Prof. M. Bailey, <i>Bapt.</i> , <i>Sup.</i> , ^e] [W. Roy Columbus, <i>Lic.</i>]	'10	'18	64	82	2	3	3	5	3	5	5	3	5	5	3	3	3	88
124 Garden,	1890 1900 W. R. Columbus,		'12	'3	7	10	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	2	2	14
125 Gaylord,	1877 1879 Mrs. Hannah E. French,	Albert A. Allington, [Wm. Huck, <i>Lic.</i> , ^b]	'06	'11	38	67	105	4	35	2	37	1	28	13	28	13	13	13	13	190
126 Gilmore,	1885 1888 Mrs. Sarah E. Gaines, ^{aa}		'13	'7	25	32	6	9	9	2	2	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	12	
127 Gladstone,	1887 1901 I. E. Parsons,	George Benford, Fred W. Ollis,	'81	'10	34	53	92	12	1	4	8	12	1	4	5	5	5	5	80	
128 Grand Blanc,	1858 1871 Mrs. Elsie Sheff,	A. D. Blakeslee, A. D. Blakeslee,	'06	'13	18	60	78	11	4	8	12	1	2	6	1	2	1	5	55	
129 Grand Haven,	1881 1881 Mrs. E. E. Shaw,	James E. Foote,	'75	'13	14	23	37	4	1	1	2	6	1	2	6	1	2	1	5	
130 Grand Junction,	1864 1904 George W. Little,	Edwin W. Bishop,	'97	'10	67	146	213	52	7	15	22	3	4	7	1	1	1	1	50	
131 Grand Ledge,	1836 1868 Mrs. Geo. T. Bemis,	Samuel T. Morris,	'98	'09	335	612	947	161	37	45	82	14	12	26	17	9	9	9	590	
132 Grand Rapids, Park,	1870 1890 R. F. Underdown,	Charles O. Grieshaber,	'90	'14	160	297	457	57	18	8	26	7	15	4	26	8	8	12	314	
133 " 2d,	1878 1886 Jesse D. Fry,	Herbert McConnell,	'97	'09	99	251	350	32	18	19	37	7	6	2	15	9	11	350		
134 " South,	1888 1912 Elbert A. Meves,	John M. MacLeod,	'98	'07	50	148	198	19	17	10	27	3	4	4	11	5	5	5	230	
135 " Smith Memorial,	1892 1893 Miss Anna M. Kellogg,	Frank Fulkerson,	'11	'13	91	160	251	55	18	13	31	2	11	7	20	7	14	300		
136 " Plymouth,	1894 1911 Arthur B. Cross,	John T. Husted,	'02	'12	68	114	182	14	14	20	36	7	7	7	7	10	10	350		
137 " East,	1896 1907 Mrs. E. M. Denison,	Samuel T. Morris,	'68	'08	27	100	127	6	1	7	2	3	5	5	5	5	5	5	110	
138 " Wallin Memorial,	1910 Mrs. Fred Jebb, ^{cc}	Leonard E. Hague,	'90	'12	23	37	60	4	2	2	1	1	1	2	1	1	2	33		
139 " Comstock Park,	1839 1856 Miss Helen L. Henshaw,	Walter A. Cutler,	'03	'11	25	51	76	3	23	5	28	2	2	2	2	13	5	160		
140 Grandville,	1855 1873 Edmund L. Cooper,	St. Clare Parsons,	'95	'13	45	85	130	44	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	75	
141 Grass Lake,	1852 1880 Fred W. Wiese,	Lincoln Ostrander, ^{ee}	'08	'11	125	222	347	77	2	2	5	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	40	
142 Greenville,	1876 1877 Wheeler Martin, ^{dd}		'97	'13	13	30	43	12	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	60	
143 Hamtramck,	1862 1870 Warren M. Bell,		'20	'14	334	50	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	280	
144 Hancock,	1857 1857 Miss Emily Cleveland,	George H. Hancock,	'86	'12	12	22	34	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	250	
145 Harrison,	1868 1887 Mrs. Ella G. Hubbard,	James S. Hamilton,	'03	'13	15	32	47	5	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	280	
146 Hart,	1857 1874 Mrs. Charles Mortimer,				6	10	16	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	14	
147 Hartford,	1844 1858 Mrs. H. W. Clark, ^{aa}				5	6	11	52	9	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	20	
148 Hartland,	1889 1899 Wm. H. Fyfe, ^{bb}		'06	'11	10	42	52	9	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	25	
149 Helena,	1870 1872 O. D. Hilderley,	Clement Upham,			1	5	6	11	5	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
150 Hersey,	1886 1898 Mrs. Clyde Gibbs,				11	24	35	21	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	28	
151 Hetherton,	1884 1887 C. H. Adams,																		1	
152 Highland,																			1	

cc Grand Rapids, R.D. 7.

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SUNDAY SCHOOLS	Superintendents	Y. P. S. Mem.	Mens. Mem.	CHURCH TREASURERS	OFFERINGS FOR THE BENEVOLENT SOCIETIES										Salaries, Values, Etc.		
					A. B. C. F. M.	A. B. C. F. M.	Wom's Eds.	C. E. Soc.	C. C. B. Soc.	C. H. M. Soc.	A. M. A. & P. S. Min.	C. S. S. P. S. Relief	Totals	Home Exp.	Invest. Funds	Amt. of Debt	
113					\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$159	
114																	
115 Frank S. Peters,	95			James I. Finch,	10	29	3	4	25	6	9	54	900	550	*\$1,200	\$	
116 Dr. E. C. Williams,	125	70	x25	C. H. W. Conover,	10	10	5	3	75	4	3	117	2,446	1,200	7,000		
117 Walter C. Osborne,	190	30		Geo. G. Woodward,					20	10	5	55	1,150	800	25,000		
118																	
119 Floyd W. Lewis,	h	90	20	Mrs. Eunice Lewis,	2	1	7	20	1	5	2	38	36	10	602	500	
120 Rev. Wm. Parker,	45			Mrs. Clara King,	2											2,500	
121 A. R. Shigley,	150			Mrs. F. H. Smith,	5	20	3	5	70	7	4	2	116	1,571	1,000	3,000	
122 Charles Seibert,	50				1											400	
123 Frank Ford,	190	30		Wm. Joy,	9	10	2	3	45	5	4	1	79	79	1,408	1,500	975
124 Claude Comfort,	h	40		W. Roy Columbus,					10								*600
125 Sanford W. Buck,	h	210		H. E. Blodgett,	3												7,600
126 Levi Gray, ^a	37			John L. Chandler, ^a													300
127 Miss Simpson,	76																
128 Walter Parker,	91			Walter Parker,	15	16	4	6	45	8	5	2	101	100	25	1,040	6,000
129 Charles N. Dickenson,	137	45	x25	Peter De Boe,	-5	10	1	1	30	2	5	1	55	10	7	1,315	400
130 Rev. A. D. Blakeslee,	64	20		W. R. Siggin,													6,000
131 Seymour Eldridge,	225			Andrew Niles,	1				60				61	74	30	483	2,200
132 Thomas D. Perry,	514			Joseph E. Coulter,	493	580	105	100	1,380	175	84	65	2,982	1,887	61	2,670	17,600
133 Lewis Landauer,	270			Arthur E. Luther,	100	25	8	29	100	22	14	10	308	36	60	16230	*80,000
134 W. G. Stenger,	h	504	43	Adrian Ote,	56	40	10	25	180	25	25	10	371	135	133	3,231	*18,000
135 A. B. Cooper,	400	35	x20	R. A. Burson,	45	10	5	8	40	35	10	8	161	164	55	1,891	*13,300
136 J. B. Wells,	h	287	40	Charles Dregge,													*14,000
137 E. C. Apsey,	325	48	x60	Carlton Austin,	20				92	5	9	2	128			55	2,410
138 Mrs. N. E. Waterman,	h	200	63	Mrs. Jennie Evarts,	5	10											*12,950
139 Chas. G. Marshall, ^b	100			Martin Timmerman, ^b	34	3	5	40	7				89	50	16	1,450	500
140 John M. De Graff,	h	197	90	Mrs. Allen Hartman,	10	10	2	4	46	5	7	3	39	74		668	2,000
141 George M. Dorr,	73			E. L. Cooper,	5	30	1	3	75	3	12	5	134	132	17	1,188	1,259
142 C. M. Miller,	285	50	x20	Ralph Bennett, ^c	5	43	5	174	12	27	5	271	37	67	2,700	1,000	
143 Willard Hendrick,	39			John M. Wagner,					5				12	5			15,000
144 A. F. Macdonald,	191			F. W. Weatherhead,									550	21	3,750	1,500	4,500
145 F. W. Weatherhead,	60	35	x170	Henry J. Palmier,	17	25	6	10	70	15	20	4	167	42	100	1,947	9,000
146 Algernon Whalley,	370			Mrs. Chas. Warren,									1	1	291	1,200	*1,400
147 E. W. Hainer,	60																2,600
148																	
149 Milo Smith, ^d	80			John G. Rucks, ^d					12				1	13	3	3	150
150 Clement Upham,	h	104	x235	Mrs. John Leamen,									5	3	25	1,050	25
151																	
152 C. H. Adams,	40			Mrs. M. J. Leonard,									14	5	20	48	500

^a Benzonia.^b Grand Rapids, R.D. 6.^c Chilson.^d Harbor Beach.

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				NAME	NAME	NAME	NAME	ORD.	C.	CD.	MA.	FE.	TO.	AB.	C.	L.	TO.	DI.	L.	
153 Hillards,	1882 Mason E. Parmelee,	Joseph F. Bacon, ^a	'81 '12	13	22	35	11								1					15
154 Homestead,	1864 1891 Wm. Reimer, ^b	W. H. Sargent, ^c	'99 '12	18	26	44	11								1	1				25
155 Honor,	1897 Miss Florence Hardy,	W. H. Sargent, ^c	'99 '12	18	45	63	15	16							1	1	3	13		175
156 Hopkins, 1st,	1857 1860 Mrs. Lucy Parmelee,	[R. L. Wintz, <i>Lic.</i>] ^d	'99 '13	10	23	33	8								1	1	1	1		50
157 " 2d,	1878 1886 David B. Kidder,	Joseph F. Bacon,	'81 '12	30	68	98	18								1	1	16	18		40
158 Howard City,	1890 1893 Edward E. Laws,	Frederick Bagnall, ^e	'86 '12	17	35	52	17	1							1	12	12			15
159 Hubbell,	1893 1893 George E. Johnson,	James Hyslop, ^e	'85 '12	74	170	244	58	2							1	1	3	8		70
160 Hudson,	1836 1871 C. B. Stowell,	'99 '12	19	56	75	18									7	5	4	16		200
161 Hudsonville,	1877 1878 B. L. Alward,	'09 '13	25	62	87	5	2								1	2	1	2		40
162 Inlay City,	1872 1875 Robert A. McRoy,	Edrie Collins, ^b	'86 '12	9	25	34									1	2	7	2		80
163 Ironton,	1886 1886 Mrs. Anna McMukin,	Charles E. Taggart, ^{bb}													1	1	1	1		30
164 Ironwood,	1908 1909 Mrs. Emma Peterson,																			
165 Isabella,	1841 1859 Harry Holton,	Bastian Smits, ^b	'84 '01	2	5	7									1	2	1	2		10
166 Jackson, 1st,	1892 1907 George H. Clissold,	Allan J. Blair, ^b	'99 '07	45	106	151	11	2							1	1	1	1		200
167 " Plymouth,	1894 1895 Mrs. Charles H. Tucker, ^{cc}	I. E. Crites, ^e	'82 '13	11	15	26	10								1	1	1	1		13
168 Jefferson,	1903 1904 Miss Bessie Balkema, ^{dd}	Leonard E. Hague, ^{ee}	'03 '11	5	14	19	3								1	1	1	1		35
169 Jenison,	1904 1905 Mrs. Lucy A. Gingell,	Clement J. Strang, ^e	'01 '12	13	17	30	1	2							1	1	1	1		50
170 Johannesburg,	1865 1893 Mrs. Emma Peterson,	Wm. J. Campbell, ^e	'06 '13	178	317	495	35	9							1	2	2	3		400
171 Johnstown and Barry,	1835 1889 Miss Anna M. Cobb,	Charles D. Banister, ^e	'86 '11	10	25	35	18								1	1	1	1		30
172 Kalamazoo,	1875 1875 Mrs. Margaret Childs,	John F. Hutchinson, ^f	'93 '12	34	67	101	23	8							1	25	3	6		25
173 Kalkaska,	1888 1889 Mrs. Alice Kingsley,	[Charles N. Babcock, <i>M.E.</i>] ^f	'92 '13	12	18	30	8	2							1	1	1	1		30
174 Kendall,	1895 1895 Mrs. Mary Corrigan,	Frederick Bagnall, ^e	'86 '11	52	104	156	45	17							1	1	1	1		50
175 Kenton,	1864 1871 R. W. Bailey,	Wm. J. Prestidge, ^e	'02 '06	24	73	97	13	13							1	1	1	1		50
176 Laingsburg,	1892 1892 Bion Maker,	[Edwin Humphrey, <i>Lic.</i>] ^f	'12 '12	43	55	6									1	1	1	1		40
177 Lake Ann,	1884 1887 J. A. Paton,	John F. Hutchinson, ^f	'93 '12	34	67	101	23	8							1	2	2	40		40
178 Lake Linden,	1892 1892 Mrs. T. W. Avis,	[Charles N. Babcock, <i>M.E.</i>] ^f	'92 '13	12	18	30	8	2							1	6	7	4		75
179 Lake Odessa,	1892 1894 Mrs. Mary Corrigan,	Frederick Bagnall, ^e	'86 '11	52	104	156	45	17							1	1	1	1		50
180 Lakeview,	1842 1849 T. H. Wallace, ^b	Wm. J. Prestidge, ^e	'02 '12	43	55	6									1	1	1	1		40
181 Lamont,	1864 1876 Miss Margaret Ester,	James S. Williamson, <i>i.</i> ^b	'90 '10	149	334	483	68	6							3	3	1	5		59
182 Lansing, Plymouth,	1893 1899 Mrs. Orcelia Addison,	Ray M. Hardy, ^e	'11 '12	165	274	439	89	11							7	7	15	34		510
183 " Pilgrim,	1903 1910 Frank W. Carpenter,	George Henry Coman, ^e	'10 '13	25	36	61	7								1	7	8	16		200
184 " Mayflower,	1837 1858 James A. Brokaw,	Henry C. Snyder, ^e	'88 '12	19	50	69	15								5	5	6	6		65
185 Lawrence,	1885 1885 Mrs. Orcelia Addison,	W. W. Gadd, ^{aa}	'88 '11	14	40	54	12	4							1	5	1	2		30
186 Leonidas,	1837 1879 C. Inglehardt, ^{bb}	Frederick P. Sprague, ^{bb}	'98 '12	21	46	67	3								1	2	2	1		40
187 Leroy,	1865 1884 J. Russell Baggerley,	Wm. C. Allen, ^e	'73 '08	17	62	79	16	5							1	1	5	7		90
188 Leslie,	1892 1895 Mrs. D. W. Wheeler,	[Albert Dawe, <i>Lic.</i>] ^f	'12 '9	16	25	51	1	1							1	1	1	1		50
189 Lewiston,	1887 1887 Miss Nettie R. Chapin,		'60 '114	174	38	2									11	11	25	27		35
190 Linden,	1839 1869 Mrs. Jennie Gibbs,		'60 '10	22	32	4									10	10	11	11		180
191 Litchfield,	1909 1910 James R. Brown, ^{cc}																		15	
192 Long Rapids,																				

^a Grandville, R.D. ^b Wayland. ^c Grandville. ^d Honor. ^e Grandville. ^f Athens.

^{aa} Oseeo. ^{bb} East Leroy. ^{cc} Leer.

^{bb} Charlevoix.

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SUNDAY SCHOOLS				CHURCH TREASURERS				OFFERINGS FOR THE BENEVOLENT SOCIETIES										SALARIES, VALUES, ETC.			
Y. P. Superintendents	Y. S. Mem	Mens Org.	W. P. Mem	A. B.C. F.M.	Wom's Bds.	C. E. Soc.	C. C.B. Soc.	C. H.M. A. M. Soc.	A. & P. S. A.	C. S. S. Relief	Min. Totals	Salaries	Value Ch. Property	Invest. Funds	Amt. of Debt						
153 H. E. Parmelee,	40			Mason E. Parmelee,	\$5	\$	\$3	\$8	\$	\$	\$16	\$30	\$260	\$208	\$1,000	\$					
154 Walter Smith, ^a	45	13		Lucius Smith, ^a	1	1	1	2	23	1	7	5	325	1250	*1,500						
155 Leslie Edmonds,	156	34		Miss Florence Hardy,	1	1	2	2	12	8	31	5	775	1475	3,500	500					
156 Wayne Parmelee,	50			Mrs. Edna Wise,	6	6	6	8	10	10	32	23	250	1,500							
157 D. B. Kidder,	h	110	35	John H. Hoffmaster,	21	18	5	8	57	10	14	133	141	100	492	7,000	100				
158 Frank Hinks,	51			John A. Herold,																	
159 D. K. MacDonald,	91	45		Mrs. Richard Hawk,	28	150	13	4	20	4	43	43	1,280	600	*4,000	770					
160 Deo Talman,	202	25	xx50	George Tripp,	10	103	13	5	5	5	327	1,858	1,000	22,000	1,000						
161 E. J. Deismore,	75			Joe Padmos,	31	3	3	3	34	6	43	39	600	1,520	2,500	2,500					
162 Nelson Haskin,	h	107		Harry E. Palmer,	67	21	20	21	20	20	142	23	1,038	1,000	5,000						
163 Wm. Sanderson, ^b	56			Wm. L. Bird, ^c									375	1,000							
164				Mrs. H. McClellan,																	
165 Mrs. F. R. McClellan,	10																				
166 B. J. Glasgow,	332	125	x45	Frank McLean,	120	202	21	30	405	68	45	10	901	68	138	5,542	2,000	50,000	400		
167 H. H. Hoffman,	225	80	x10	Charles Clissold,	15	82	5	15	67	15	15	5	219	207	104	1,450	850	500	500		
168 Frank Thomas, ^d	38			Cynthia Spotts, ^e									8	8							
169 L. E. Hague, ^{aa}	36			Miss Angie Moody,	2	1	1	7	1	1	1	9	5	346	250						
170 Sim Lewis,	40			Christian Freiberg,	10	3	20	25	5	6	2	71	1	65	836	650	5,250				
171																					
172 S. O. Hartwell,	375	130	x75	Walter J. Bristol,	120	154	9	10	297	10	8	28	636	30	300	5,000	2,800	*70,000	1,000		
173 H. B. Whalley,	40			H. B. Whalley, ^f				10	10	10	10	10	870	700	4,000						
174 Alice Kingsley,	40			H. L. Root,	5			14	2	2	2	23	30	470	400	4,000					
175																					
176 J. W. Gleason,	69	42	x18	Wm. H. Hunt,	15			50	5	5	70	100	30	927	700	5,500					
177 Frank B. Sinclair,	90			Mrs. Chas. Foster,				7	4	1	12	11	450	1,625	600	1,700					
178 J. A. Paton,	123			Neil M. Gillies,				37	8	5	92	24		1,625	600	12,300					
179 Sherman I. Strong,	100		x20	T. J. Justice,				20	4	4	24	9		1,500	900	8,000					
180 E. H. Kierstead,	114			C. M. Northrop,				9	9	9	19	2	1,011	700	6,000						
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182 D. E. Scull,	380			160 Mrs. D. B. Ainger,	60	10	70	50	450	47	50	25	762	300	101	7,135	2,500	80,000	2,000		
183 Vern J. Brown,	332	64		C. W. Kempton,	15	15	4	10	52	5	3	104	110	101	3,572	1,500	*25,000				
184 Geo. W. Kempton,	125	40		Mrs. E. J. Gorham,				15	6	6	21	21		582	1100	*12,000	6,500				
185 Fred H. Stoddart,	80	20		Jesse W. Cobb,	2			11	8	8	21			6,130	700	*2,000					
186 Benj. S. Longnecker,	35	20	x24	B. S. Longnecker,				2	22	7	8	2	24	3,1050	400						
187 Earl Dir, ^{tb}	115	40		Earl Dir, ^{tb}	6	6		22	6	45	57	53	3	780	600	4,000					
188 J. Russel Baggerley,	103	31		Charles T. Brown,				34	18	18	18	18	940	700	5,500						
189 Rev. A. Dowe,	70	24	x28	Miss Floy Parsons,				6	6	6	500	500	500	1,600	2,000	2,000					
190 Miss Nettie Chapin,	35			Grant M. Sherbon,				80	10	15	6	225	30	1,100	800	12,000					
191 Mrs. Geo. Hutchings, ^h	180			Miss Kittie Busby,	3			75	25	15	5	5	175		1,100						
192 Mrs. F. Monroe, ^{cc}	48																				

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193 Harvey J. Taylor,	180	68	Harvey J. Taylor,	\$20	\$20	\$5	\$30	\$8	\$21	\$104	\$27	\$1,587	\$1,100	\$34,000	\$	\$	
194 H. L. Haskell,	237	66	x75 E. L. Edwards,	94	103	2	3	193	19	1	473	30	65	2,103	1,600	15,000	100
195 S. B. Poole,	40	13	John D. Davis,	6	6	1	20	20	3	59	1,028	400	10,945	400	800	800	
196 Chas. W. Benton,	108	75	John Hollinger,					13	10	496	800	7,500					
197 Frank W. White,	306		A. U. Mauzy,					140	10	446	57	18	3,800	1,500	60,000	2,000	
198															1,500		
199 O. B. Wheeler,	101	40	Miss Fannie Bockins,	5	8					13	15	11	768	550	*2,000		
200															2,000		
201 John Lentz,	75		Leonard Reiser,	10	5	17	10	5	47	475	30	65	2,103	1,600			
202 Geo. W. Bartlett,	50		George W. Bartlett,	7	2	3	21	4	5	1	50	1,122	800	5,000		900	
203 A. A. McBride,	120		Ray T. Maynard,	16	5	27	6	9	6	71	10	610	600	3,500			
204 W. E. King,	32		Miss S. Ella Kelley,					11		11	10		662	600	*5,000		
205 J. D. Ballard, ^a	54		J. D. Ballard, ^a					4	2	6	6		230	200	*4,000		
206 Mrs. M. Dietrich,	80	40	Mrs. Kittie Otto,					7	8	4	3	7	33	34	5,1,175	700	8,000
207 Mrs. Ada Hunter, ^b	25		Mrs. Ada Hunter, ^b	4											1,200		
208 Clarence Bisby,	90	32	Timothy B. Rose,	8	13	1	4	58	5	1	79		850	600	4,000		
209 H. V. Smith,	h	179	C. R. Kellogg,					26	5	1	50		1,400	1,000	7,400		
210 Mrs. Mary Boyer,	45	21	Mrs. Mary W. Smith,					20	6	26	6		683	700	*4,000		
211 Francis Dyer,	344	40	x60 Harry D. Thompson,					411	70	50	50	1,073	142	242	5,896	2,400	40,000
212 Joseph F. Skinner,	103		Mrs. John Stark,									4	79	1,375	*2,000	37,500	
213 Henry Borgerding,	h	189	z20 Mrs. M. Fairchild,									15	169	1,375	5,000		
214 John A. Nelson, ^c	45		Fred Puffaff, ^c												1,000		
215 Rev. Daniel Truman,	75		Mrs. Mary J. Fry,														
216 E. D. W. LaForge,	80	56	Mrs. L. A. Barnum,														
217 George Fohly,	h	84	Mrs. Elias Parker,														
218 Wist Whitlock,	54		Sextus Flint,														
219 Lucien W. Hersh, ^d	100	x35	Arthur L. Stevens,														
220 Leonard Rogers,	226	33	Mrs. W. J. Thomas,														
221 E. Brook,	84	50	Mrs. Louise Gleason,														
222 W. G. Tompkins,	50		Charles Hoberg,														
223 Rex O. Holman,	h	120	62	76	10	19	121	40	13	7	348	56	135	1,520	*30,000	4,000	
224 H. M. Powell,	45		Eliza Gage,					40	10	5	85		850	550	1,700		
225 George L. House,	112	36	J. H. Wheeler,	3	3	2	14	3	9	2	36	15	435	300			
226 Charles Porter,	56		Mrs. E. J. Baker,					4	17	6	1	28	23	108			
227			Don Rossman, ^e										300	1,450	3,000		
228 Miss Marcia Hall,	357	15	x15 A. W. DeLano,														
229 W. R. Shaw,	80	48	John H. Robson,														
230 H. B. Sturtevant,	400		x50 E. P. Van Dewater,														
231 C. A. Merriam,	85		C. L. Randall,														
232 George Dutton,	78		L. C. Watkins,														

^a Jackson, R.D. ^b Lansing, R.D. ^c Stanton, R.D. ^d Moscow. ^e Eaton Rapids, R.D.

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CHURCHES Cities or Towns	Org. Entered [C]	CLERKS		Names	MINISTERS		Names	MEMBERS		ADMITTED		REMOVED		BAPT.		Fam. Ad. Inf.		
		Preacher	Org.		Preacher	Org.		Ord.	C'd	Ma.	Fe.	To.	Ab.	C.	L.	To.		
233 Pinckney,	1855 1855	Mrs. H. Swarthout,		Lincoln Ostrander,	'97	'13	25	59	84	10	15	15	2	4	52	58	4	
234 Pine Grove,	1880 1882	Mrs. Ella Soden, ^a		N. Skidmore, ^a	'13	'11	1	17	18	3			1	1	1	4	25	
235 Pittsford,	1893 1895	Mrs. Frank Kedzie,		John E. Courter,	'83	'08	35	101	136	15	3	3	1	2	15	18	100	
236 Pleasanton,	1866 1893	Mrs. Mary Taylor,		Milo J. Sweet,	'00	'12	7	22	29	7			5	4	74	83	20	
237 Pontiac,	1831 1911	Miss Mary Herrington,		Thomas R. McRoberts,	'91	'13	204	474	678	24	47	17	64	5	2	4	10	250
238 Port Huron, 1st,	1840 1858	N. Cawthorne,		John Lambrecht,	'00	'11	10	23	33	7	1	2	3	2	4	6	2	350
239 " 24th st.,	1894 1903	Mrs. Lee Snover, ^b		John Lambrecht,	'00	'10	20	30	50	8			2	3	5	140	2	
240 " Rose Mem'l,	1896 1897	Fred Chambers,		Thomas Cooke,	'12	'07	28	43	71	3			1	2	1	2	3	
241 " Sturgis Mem'l,	1901	Frank B. Sturgis,		George E. Brown, ^c	'08	'11	8	24	32	7	1	2	3	3	8	1	3	
242 Portland,	1848 1853	Mrs. J. A. Webber,		[A. B. Lucas, <i>Lic.</i>]	'12	'9	24	33	7	7	1	8	3	3	1	3	135	
243 Port Sanilac,	1854 1854	Foy Burgess,		Isaiah E. Crites,	'82	'13	16	23	39	5			1	2	3	3	72	
244 Prattville,	1875 1874	C. F. Ermens,		Thomas Ainslie,	'13	'10	16	56	72	10	2		2	1	1	2	22	
245 Ransom,	1848 1854	O. W. Thompson,		[Stephen J. Paull, <i>Lic.</i>]	'12	'7	19	26	7	1	2	3	1	4	4	4	48	
246 Rapid River,	1888 1890	Mrs. R. Baker,		[E. J. Millington, <i>Sup.</i>]	'25	'50	75										60	
247 Red Jacket,	1887 1892	Wm. H. Craig, ^d		Gilbert H. Bacheler,	'99	'11	34	107	141	23	4	2	6	3	16	20	3	
248 Redridge,	1901 1901	Thomas H. Austin,		Albro G. Gates,	'07	'11	14	56	70	2	8	10	2	2	4	2	60	
249 Reed City,	1872 1907	Mrs. C. D. Francisco,		Clarence Finster,	'78	'08	8	29	37	9	1	3	4	1	18	25	2	
250 Richmond,	1872 1887	A. E. Fuller,		B. H. Pelton, ^{aa}	'94	'13	7	7	14								50	
251 Rochester,	1827 1874	Dr. C. S. Strain,		Robert Houston, ^{bb}	'91	'12	13	25	38	9							50	
252 Rockford,	1847 1874	Jonathan Somerby,		[Burton D. Snock, <i>Lic.</i>]	'06	'12	33	115	148	29							50	
253 Rock Lake,	1912 "	Miss Adelaide Brown, ^e		Ralph Hall Ferris,													50	
254 Rockwood,	1887 1887	Seward Woodruff,		Wm. Etheridge,	'97	'07	3	23	26	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	28	
255 Rodney,	1888 1884	L. C. Lardner,		Nathaniel Skidmore, ^a	'13	'11	8	8	2								20	
256 Romeo,	1828 1876	Miss Agnes L. Fessenden,		W. I. St. John,	'10	'05	16	40	56	9	2						50	
257 Rondo,	1885 1885			Nelson S. Bradley,	'89	'01	157	381	538	190	11	8	19	13	6	19	8	
258 Roscommon,	1875 1880	Mrs. Jennie M. Price,		Tilden Sloan,	'08	'12	9	25	34	12	1	13	1	5	6	4	3	
259 Roscommon,	1882 1884	Mrs. Wm. Lines,		Wm. M. Todd,	'90	'12	64	178	242	91	7	7	4	9	13	7	150	
260 Royal Oak,	1842 1912	George W. Blackmon, ^{ee}		Matthew Mullen,	'00	'10	74	186	260	50	11	3	14	2	3	5	150	
261 Saginaw, 1st,	1857 1867	Edward W. Glynn,		John H. Bushnell,	'11	'13	78	161	239	19	9	6	15	4	8	14	200	
262 " Genesee,	1899 1899	Mrs. Amos Lewis,		Matthew Knowles,	'89	'08	13	17	30	2							200	
263 St. Clair,	1833 1880	Miss May Copperroll,		Allan J. Blair, ^{aa}	'99	'08	14	38	52	13	1	1	1	2	1	2	23	
264 St. Johns,	1860 1900	P. E. Walsworth,		Edwin Woolley,	'12	'13	26	47	73	16							50	
265 St. Joseph,	1854 1859	E. M. Plumb,		Abraham H. Lash,	'97	'12	15	36	51	1	4	4	1	4	6	11	1	
266 Salem, 1st,	1867 1848	Irving W. Hamilton, ^{aa}															40	
267 " 2d,	1851 1886	Mrs. Emma Buiers,																
268 Sandstone,	1835 1872	H. B. Snow, ^{ee}																
269 Saranac,	1870 1873	Miss Louise Wallington,																
270 Saugatuck,	1860 1860	James A. Aliber,																

^a S. S. Marie, R.D. 2.^b Upton Works.^c Carsonville.^d Calumet.^e Birmingham, R.D. 1.^{aa} Edmore.^{cc} Parma.^{dd} Salem, R.D. 1.^{ee} Jackson.^{bb} Flat Rock.^{ee} Edmore.

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Superintendents	Mem	Mem	Mem	A. B. C. F. M.	W. C. B. Bds.	W. C. E. Soc.	C. H. M. Soc.	A. M. & P. S.	C. S. S. & P. S.	Min. Relief	Totals	Salaries	Value Ch. Property	Invest. Funds	Amt. of Debt			
233 Mrs. Jennie Barton,	50	14	z14	W. S. Swarthout,	\$1	\$1	\$1	\$1	\$1	\$1	\$220	\$20	\$23	\$850	\$600	\$		
234 Mrs. Ella Soden, ^a	35	14	150	Mrs. John Hoornstra, ^a	4	5	1	2	5	30	21	3	38	450	375	\$5,000		
235 Wm. H. Scott,	24			O. D. Andrews,	5	5	2	2	5	30	6	5	2	60	1,000	1,800		
236	25	xz60		Dr. Elmer Charles,	25	50	5	10	100	10	10	2	220	4,480	1,800	6,000		
237 Fred Ebner,	240			W. S. McFadzean,	200	40	60	450	75	50	20	895	53	19	5,550	1,500	1200	
238 E. J. Monsell,	300	120		Mrs. Wm. Koepfgen, ^b					9	3	3	16	17	463	350	13,600		
239 Rev. J. Lambrecht,	40			xz54 Charles Weishier,					10	10	10	23	5	450	650	8,400		
240 Rev. J. Lambrecht,	120			Mrs. Charles Brown,	4	20	1	1	30	6	2	3	17	3	350	2,500		
241 Edward Quinn, ^b	105			Lorenzo Webber,					10	10	10	10	76	2,550	650	1,350		
242 Mrs. Geo. Buck,	115			Mrs. H. Schlichting,									850	1180	1,000			
243 Mrs. H. Schlichting,	62			S. P. Downer,									700	500	1,700			
244 L. W. Porter,	100			Frank Burritt, ^c									29	18	2	2,600		
245 O. W. Thompson,	60			Miss Julia H. Ames,									50	50	716	600		
246 Rev. T. Ainslie,	125	50		Wm. R. Sincock, ^d	63	5	2	3	18	4	2	42	126	17	1,200	1,200		
247 Mrs. Robert Grierson, ^d	166			Thomas H. Austin,	6	27	4	6	25	7	2	2	50	275	2,540	2,400		
248 Thomas J. Bice,	36	24		L. G. Hammond,									59	100	1,500	1,000		
249 Carl Tiffany, ^e	68			H. J. Taylor,									81	101	1,125	800		
250 Miss Ella Hunt,	110	50	xz5	Dwight F. Beverley,									4	4	1,100	6,000		
251 Howard Cannon,	50			H. Norton, ^e									54	50	1,940	6,000		
252 Wm. J. Haskell,	122			Fred A. Butler,									20	10	350	250		
253 Wm. E. Ward, ^e	60	37		Mrs. Edd Carr,									10	182	1230	*1,000		
254 Mrs. S. Woodruff,	25			Mrs. J. J. Brewer,	73	23	10	14	97	20	12	7	256	10	2,318	1,200		
255 Charles B. Sikes,	130												1	1	350	35,000		
256 Charles B. Sikes,	130														1,500			
257															400			
258 Rev. Wm. Etheridge,	49														1,500			
259 Rev. N. Shidmore, ^a	37														350			
260 S. Lee Pack,	26	145													400			
261 Rev. N. S. Bradley,	200	25	140												3,500			
262 David J. Baty,	150	30																
263 Reuben R. Moore,	h	240																
264 Clarence Silsbury,	160																	
265 John L. Rice,	250	35	43															
266 Irving W. Hamilton, ^{ee}	35	20																
267 Mrs. Lillie Hartman, ^{dd}	57																	
268 L. I. Wheeler, ^{ee}	110																	
269 Chester Shafer,	75																	
270 Edwin H. House,	70																	

* S. S. Marie, R.D. 2. ^{ee} Salem, R.D. 1. ^{dd} Upton Works. ^{ee} Pittsford.

^{ee} Calumet. ^{dd} Salem, R.D. 2.

^{ee} Jackson. ^{dd} Vestaburg, R.D. 2.

^{ee} Parma.

^{ee} Birmingham. ^{dd} Birmingham. ^{ee} Jackson. ^{dd} Parma. ^{ee} No parsonage.

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		Entered	Entered	Names	Names	Ord.	Cd.	Ma.	Fe.	To.	Ab.	C.	L.	To.	
271 Sawyer,	1888	1890	Mrs. E. K. Baker,	[J. O. Walton, <i>Chr.</i>] ^a	'13	5	15	20	4		1	1	1	1	15
272 Shaftsbury,	1898	1908	Miss Gladys McClelland,	Malcolm G. Powley, ^b	'97	08	10	18	28	13	1	1	1	2	33
273 Shelby,	1864	1875	Mrs. Abba Field,	Gordon C. Speer,	'11	13	63	130	193	32	3	2	10	1	200
274 Sheridan,	1877	1886	Miss Tena B. Hoover,	George H. Alexander,	'12	11	14	67	81	15	5	4	9	2	85
275 Sherman,	1872	1874	Mrs. S. B. Nieswander,	Isaac B. Lillie, ^c	'86	13	4	20	24	4	1	1	3	1	9
276 Shiloh,	1896			George H. Alexander, ^d	'12	11	2	10	12	2	6	2	10	1	32
277 Sidney,	1890	1888	Mrs. A. B. Courter,	[A. R. Merrill, <i>Wes. Meth.</i>]	'02	14	13	20	33	5	1	2	3	1	50
278 Six Lakes,	1889	1891	Avery Gaffield,	[M. G. Van Buskirk, <i>Bapt.</i>]	'11	13	22	55	77	18	1	1	1	3	50
279 Somerset,	1858	1861	Frank R. Smith,	Adam Murrmann, ^{aa}	'95	13	15	30	45	15	1	1	1	2	22
280 South Boston,	1891	1878	Mrs. Nellie Young, ^o	Augustine Jones,	'08	12	99	184	283	40	6	3	9	4	250
281 South Haven,	1856	1877	Mrs. G. J. Wicksall,												
282 Standish,	1878	1882													
283 Stanton,	1874	1875	John W. S. Pierson,	Wm. Wiedenhoef,	'89	07	22	90	112	35	3	7	10	4	64
284 Suttons Bay,	1896	1899	Marcus Hoyt,	[Percy L. Perry, <i>Lic.</i>] ^{bz}	'13	5	16	21			1	1	1	1	2
285 Texas,	1900	1900	James J. Steele, ^{ee}	J. S. Beers,	'01	12	26	73	99	3	3	1	2	2	8
286 Thompsonville,	1892	1892	Charles H. Chadsey,	'84	12	64	112	176	40	7	7	2	7	9	125
287 Three Oaks,	1844	1869	James L. Sheldon,	Henry W. Hunt,	'04	11	13	41	54	9	1	1	2	18	1
288 Tipton,	1852	1860	Arthur R. Joseph.	Walter T. Hinzman,	'89	89	104	196	300	39	8	47	3	117	
289 Traverse City, 1 st ,	1863	1905	S. E. Waite,	Demas Cochlin,	'99	13	12	36	48	10	12	6	18	1	40
290 " " Oak Park,	1907	1912	Mrs. Rollo St. John,	Arthur E. Fraser,	'99	13	12	29	41	7	7	4	14	18	125
291 Tyrone,	1876	1878	Burton Street, ^{dd}	Percy V. Dawe,	'12	12	51	133	184	35	5	10	3	4	20
292 Union City,	1837	1862	Mrs. S. B. Corbin,	Marion Snook,	'92	12	4	36	40	16	6	2	8	1	50
293 Utica,	1856		Miss Cleo A. Green,	H. J. L. Wooley,	'12	13	17	46	63	4	3	3	3	4	40
294 Vanderbilt,	1838	1864	John Yull,	Robert Dalzell,	'12	12	29	89	118	24	3	7	2	21	90
295 Vermontville,	1851	1863	Frank E. Hay,	Thomas E. Bennett,	'07	10	29	61	90	19	1	1	1	1	150
296 Vernon,	1865	1868	Miss Stella Davenport,	J. F. Hutchinson, ^{aa}	'93	13	26	64	90	21	1	4	5	1	100
297 Vicksburg,	1845	1886	John H. Rayner,	[James E. Foote, ^{bb}	'35	54	89	18			1	1	2	4	50
298 Victor,	1862	1875	Mrs. Edith Green, ^{ee}	W. H. Fuller, ^{ee}	'97	13	9	21	30	6	3	3	3	54	
299 Wacoesta,	1885	1886	Mrs. Alice L. Andrus,	[Reuben L. Wintz, <i>Lic.</i>]	'95	12	24	71	95	34	1	8	9	40	
300 Watervliet,	1858	1896	Mrs. W. A. Godfrey,	Charles L. Taylor,	'13	11	18	29	12	2	7	4	3	150	
301 Wayland,	1848	1849	W. H. Schuh,	[Herbert A. McGoon, <i>Sup.</i>] ^{ddd}	'86	13	38	83	121	15	1	1	1	2	50
302 Wayne,	1860	1874	Mrs. Sarah Steers Collier,	[Jacob W. Skinner, <i>M. P.</i>]	'13	11	42	54	96	28	6	3	4	25	
303 Webster,	1905	1900	Dwight B. Sears, ^{dd}	Clarence D. Oberlin, ^{bbb}	'13	11	53	90	143	23	8	9	14	60	
304 Wells,	1867	1869	H. N. Hood, ^{ee}	Louis W. Fuller,	'06	09	8	12	20		2	2	2	75	
305 West Adrian,	1843	1874	Charles M. Fuller, ^{aa}	A. B. Linquist,	'10	14	15	44	59	5				100	
306 Wheatland,	1877	1877	Charles M. Fuller, ^{aa}	Wm. Mitchell,											
307 White Cloud,	1876	1876	White Cloud,												
308 Whitehall,	1879	1879	White Rock,												
309 White Rock,	1879	1878	White Rock,												
310 Williamson,	1879	1878	Williamston,												
• Bridgeman.	• Perry.	• Buckley.	• Clarksville, R.D. 42.	• Lowell.	• Northport.	• Kalannazoo, R.D. 8.	• Lowell.	• Northport.	• Ann Arbor, R.D.	• Adrian, R.D. 2.	• Hudson.	• Hudson.	• Hudson.	• Hudson.	
• Merlebeach, R.D.	• Perry.	• Laingsburg.	• Grand Ledge.	• Grand Ledge.	• Grand Ledge.	• Grand Ledge.	• Grand Ledge.	• Grand Ledge.	• Grand Ledge.	• Grand Ledge.	• Grand Ledge.	• Grand Ledge.	• Grand Ledge.	• Grand Ledge.	
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• Fenton, R.D. 3.

• Pittsford.

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311 Wolverine,	1883	1885	John E. Wiggins,	G. Henry Cole,	'09	'12	15	41	56	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	16	65	
312 Wyandotte,	1892	1902	F. E. Welch,	Charles W. Jones,	'95	'08	45	116	161	18	3	3	2	8	11	21	2	100	
313 Ypsilanti,	1881	1900	Charles J. Becker,	O. Lloyd Morris,	'94	'12	80	153	233	10	20	14	34	2	8	11	9	4	165

NAME OF STATE ORGANIZATION: MICHIGAN CONGREGATIONAL CONFERENCE.

NAMES OF CHURCHES ADDED: Au Gres, German; Eden; Rock Lake.

NAME OF CHURCH CHANGED: Cannon to Bostwick Lake.

CHURCHES: Supplied by. — Pastors installed, 5; pastors recognized, 1; pastors, 194; licentiates, 35; supplies, 22; vacant, 56. Total, 313.

MINISTERS: Pastors installed, 5; pastors recognized, 1; pastors, 155; supplying churches, 52. Total, 213. Without charge, 83. Total number of ministers, 296.

MEMBERSHIP: No. of males, 10,542; No. of females, 21,862. Total, 32,404. Absent, 4,865. Additions, — on confession, 1,500; by letter, 867. Total, 2,367. Removals, — death, 392; dismission, 835; revision, 1,295. Total, 2,522.

BAPTISMS: Adults, 616; infants, 717. FAMILIES: 27,544.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS: Members, 37,300.* YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES: Societies, 113; members, 4,781.

* Includes 48 Branch, Mission and Outstation Sunday-schools with enrollment of 1,873.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS				OFFERINGS FOR THE BENEVOLENT SOCIETIES												SALARIES, VALUES, ETC.									
				A. B. C. F. M.			Wom's Bds.			C. E. C. C. B. Soc.			A. M. A. & P. S. Soc.			C. S. S. Relief			Totals						
Superintendents				Mem.	Y. P.	S.	Mens	Church	Treasurers	F. M.	B. C.	B. M.	C. H. M.	Soc.	A. M.	A. & P. S.	Soc.	C. S. S.	Relief	Totals	Home Exp.	Salaries	Value Ch. Property	Invest. Funds	Am't. of Debt
311	John E. Wiggins,	110			Harry W. Sowton,					\$26	\$	\$	\$	\$11	\$37	\$	\$	\$1315	\$600	\$3,000	\$	2,700			
312	M. E. Stiles,	165	47		E. N. Clark,					2	2	2	2	10	2	61	20	2,000	960	35,000					
313	H. Z. Wilbur,	168	65	65	George Holmes,	73	47			30	150	32	12	12	356	364	194	3,058	1,500	30,000					

\$2,400 from Three Oaks not included in totals as a personal gift.

Offerings from mission Sunday-schools from local associations and state conference included in totals.

MEN'S ORGANIZATIONS: Societies, 73; members, 4,160.
CONTRIBUTIONS: American Board (churches, 125), \$6,360; Woman's Boards (127), \$6,920; Congregational Education Society (78), \$1,197; Congregational Church Building Society (130), \$1,563; Congregational Home Missionary Society (250), \$19,010; American Missionary Association (114), \$2,918; Congregational Sunday-School and Publishing Society (184), \$2,224; Ministerial Relief (126), \$1,363. Total (269), \$41,555. Other and special Congregational gifts (141), \$18,406; undenominational gifts (90), \$6,296. Grand total (269), \$66,257.

For Fifth-Year Statistics see General Summaries.

HOME EXPENSES: No. of churches reporting, 270; amount, \$434,607.
INCREASE: Churches, 3; Sunday School Members, 1,414; Men's and Boys Organizations, 748; Benevolence, \$5,710; Home Expense, \$18,898; Value of Property, \$132,350; Amount of Debt, \$21,679.

DECREASE: Members, 155; Young People's Societies, Members, 116.
LEGACIES: Fenwick, \$100; Hopkins, 2d, \$100; Hudson, \$167; Long Rapids, \$50; Mackinac Island, \$2,500; St. Joseph, \$1,000; Watervliet, \$1,500; Williamston, \$1,300. Total, \$6,717.

COMPARATIVE STATISTICAL EXHIBIT

YEARS	CHURCHES	MEMBERS	BAPTISMS			Number in Sunday Schools	Number in Y. P. S. C. E.	Families	Benevolences	Home Expenditures
			Males	Females	Total					
1845	31	941	1,173	2,114	978	.....	.....	71	1,864	.....
1846	53	43	2,332	218	.....	.....	.....	94	2,229	.....
1851	81	65	3,525	1,193	307	.....	.....	.....	3,798	.....
1852	87	72	4,274	442	.....	.....	.....	.....	3,264	.....
1853	83	70	4,934	660	.....	.....	.....	.....	3,991	.....
1854	101	87	4,987	53	.....	.....	.....	.....	4,461	.....
1855	106	72	5,462	475	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1856	110	92	5,396	.....	66	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1857	109	88	6,188	792	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1858	115	89	6,768	580	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1859	105	105	4,499	7,255	587	.....	.....	392	163	6,508
1860	130	101	2,756	7,437	182	.....	.....	163	206	7,278
1861	135	100	2,804	4,653	733	.....	.....	123	161	6,947
1862	129	110	7,842	405	.....	.....	.....	101	128	7,441
1863	124	98	8,190	348	.....	.....	.....	1,002	191	8,398
1864	146	114	3,030	6,397	237	.....	.....	1,015	145	132
1865	141	131	2,978	6,394	8,372	.....	.....	55	1,107	176
1866	150	132	3,206	6,718	552	.....	.....	1,141	162	8,545
1867	155	138	3,429	6,192	9,581	.....	.....	309	151	10,142
1868	164	140	3,674	6,449	10,123	542	.....	930	445	10,086
1869	175	145	3,915	6,969	10,884	761	.....	924	340	146
1870	176	151	4,129	7,414	11,541	657	.....	1,024	396	188
1871	173	156	4,256	11,984	443	.....	.....	1,168	374	198
1872	179	156	4,417	7,929	12,346	362	.....	1,135	411	236
1873	191	173	4,485	8,140	12,625	279	.....	1,355	316	144
1874	195	176	4,765	8,506	13,561	536	.....	1,488	229	168
1875	199	174	4,718	8,491	13,209	.....	.....	1,600	352	163
1876	196	175	4,940	8,985	13,935	726	.....	1,443	403	214
1877	211	185	5,606	10,101	15,706	1,761	.....	1,609	255	18,854
1878	224	188	5,908	11,003	16,911	1,205	.....	1,622	1,048	21,227
1879	233	196	5,993	11,149	17,142	231	.....	1,757	984	253
1880	236	204	6,045	11,019	17,064	.....	.....	2,120	525	222
1881	248	206	5,936	11,181	17,117	53	.....	2,416	374	215
1882	256	219	5,785	11,172	16,967	.....	.....	2,442	246	247
1883	233	5,975	11,534	17,509	522	.....	.....	2,446	282	282
1884	248	6,233	11,997	18,230	721	.....	.....	2,421	443	279
1885	245	6,651	12,419	18,670	440	.....	.....	2,611	502	257
								2,593	578	578
								2,593	327	327
									25,969	25,969

COMPARATIVE STATISTICAL EXHIBIT

YEARS	CHURCHES			MEMBERS			BAPTISMS			NUMBER IN SUNDAY SCHOOLS	NUMBER IN Y. P. S. C. E.	FAMILIES	BENEVO- LENCE	HOME EXPEN- DITURES	
	MIS.	CHUR.	MALES	FEMALES	Total	Gain	Loss	Absent	Adult	Infant					
1886.....	281	241	6,649	13,156	19,805	1,135	.....	2,546	837	340	27,364	.....	14,690	\$56,705	\$238,934
1887.....	288	242	7,149	14,089	21,238	1,433	.....	2,516	1,106	331	30,092	.....	15,770	56,302	266,268
1888.....	298	257	7,250	14,482	21,632	394	.....	2,718	627	243	29,879	.....	16,531	58,145	247,931
1889.....	311	273	7,440	15,204	22,644	1,012	.....	2,670	851	362	31,413	.....	17,769	63,538	289,467
1890.....	314	262	7,512	15,715	23,227	583	.....	3,178	907	379	32,000	.....	18,072	52,679	230,715
1891.....	287	287	7,672	16,149	23,821	653	.....	3,228	866	351	32,115	.....	17,974	43,288	240,638
1892.....	320	290	7,900	16,771	24,671	850	.....	3,278	966	439	36,771	6,609	18,854	59,342	317,389
1893.....	342	307	8,399	17,704	26,103	1,432	.....	3,254	698	410	38,158	8,304	19,090	90,258	349,577
1894.....	345	310	9,037	19,011	28,148	2,045	.....	3,338	1,362	532	40,032	9,568	21,077	110,302	380,365
1895.....	345	302	9,576	20,346	29,922	1,744	.....	3,511	1,512	600	42,939	11,507	21,966	72,629	316,459
1896.....	347	308	9,826	20,774	30,600	678	.....	3,938	1,141	534	41,640	13,769	22,029	69,743	303,388
1897.....	347	291	10,282	21,340	31,622	1,022	.....	3,637	1,102	595	42,110	14,602	22,568	61,987	279,714
1898.....	344	302	10,463	21,914	32,377	755	.....	3,722	892	597	42,684	14,305	22,795	57,702	269,442
1899.....	341	291	10,309	21,693	32,022	.....	355	3,689	638	493	40,928	14,026	24,067	80,554	265,368
1900.....	340	305	10,363	21,820	32,183	161	.....	3,670	659	510	39,780	13,078	24,523	81,888	289,870
1901.....	340	303	10,198	21,771	31,969	.....	214	4,262	762	629	38,437	11,902	24,872	107,351	319,066
1902.....	344	307	10,371	22,276	32,647	678	.....	4,434	846	605	37,647	10,524	25,496	79,566	318,063
1903.....	346	301	10,492	22,372	32,864	217	.....	4,936	638	544	37,314	9,930	28,613	88,080	342,898
1904.....	344	281	10,285	22,072	32,387	.....	507	4,863	543	666	36,473	8,799	25,801	127,322	341,933
1905.....	336	257	10,132	21,796	31,928	.....	429	4,756	574	615	35,677	8,242	28,353	99,857	378,880
1906.....	336	275	10,250	22,153	32,403	475	.....	4,575	698	658	36,803	7,479	26,335	96,834	327,220
1907.....	331	288	10,262	22,217	32,479	76	.....	4,871	756	641	36,941	7,472	28,574	90,553	347,791
1908.....	331	280	10,267	22,192	32,459	.....	20	4,928	579	661	35,962	6,873	27,642	108,748	405,282
1909.....	332	284	10,443	22,505	32,948	489	.....	4,754	696	697	36,744	6,413	25,683	73,254	382,801
1910.....	323	286	10,234	22,292	32,838	.....	110	4,624	736	693	36,621	6,035	25,915	95,777	360,916
1911.....	320	288	10,293	21,174	32,467	.....	371	4,798	556	708	33,892	5,225	26,634	60,137	345,287
1912.....	320	285	10,411	22,217	32,628	161	.....	4,224	659	593	34,012	5,183	27,395	55,217	398,571
1913.....	310	295	10,489	22,070	32,559	69	.....	4,942	554	672	35,886	4,897	27,670	60,547	415,709
1914.....	313	286	10,542	21,862	32,404	155	.....	4,865	616	717	37,300	4,781	27,544	66,257	434,607

NAMES OF MINISTERS

CONNECTED WITH THE MICHIGAN CONGREGATIONAL CONFERENCE WITH
DATE OF ORDINATION, POSTOFFICE ADDRESS, AND THE INITIALS
OF THE LOCAL ASSOCIATIONS WITH WHICH THEY
ARE CONNECTED

Name	Date	Residence	Association
Adams, Robert	1876	Harlan	G. T.
Ainslee, Thomas	1913	Rapid River	Gl.
Alexander, George H.	1912	Sidney	L.
Allen, Wm. C.	1878	Leslie	J.
Allington, A. A.	1906	Gaylor	C.
Allison, Alexander L.	1903	Muskegon	S.
Appleton, Harry	1891	S. S. Marie	S. S. M.
Arnold, P. A.	1911	Utica	D.
Ashby, John H.	1878	Morenci	So.
Ayer, Edwin I.	1883	Traverse City	G. T.
Bacheler, Gilbert H.	1899	Richmond	E.
Bacon, J. F.	1881	Hopkins	K.
Bagnall, Frederick	1886	Lake Linden	L. S.
Banister, C. D.	1886	Kendall	K.
Bates, Francis	1887	Ovid	So.
Baxter, Thomas G.	1883	Jonesville	J.
Beach, Arthur G.	1897	Mariette, O.	G. T.
Beers, J. S.	1901	Thompsonville	Gen.
Benford, George	1881	Grand Blanc	Gen.
Bennett, Thomas E.	1907	Vernon	Gen.
Bentall, Alfred	1902	Old Missions	G. T.
Binkhorst, Arie	1895	Cody, Wyo.	L.
Bishop, Edwin W.	1898	Grand Rapids	G. R.
Blair, Allan J.	1899	Jackson	J.
Bliss, John	1863	Big Rapids	L.
Bodman, Frederic H.	1905	Battle Creek	J.
Bowens, Wm. C.	1912	Freeland	G. T.
Bradley, Nelson S.	1889	Saginaw	S.
Bridgewater, F. H.	1914	Central Lake	C.
Brown, George E.	1908	Port Huron	E.
Brown, Victor F.	1893	Bay City	S.
Bunker, Fred R.	1888	Medfield, Mass.	L.
Bush, Fred W.	1871	Hopkins	K.
Butler, J. H.	1885	Mancelona	C.
Calhoun, Charles S.	1901	Dexter	J.
Campbell, Wm. J.	1906	Kalamazoo	K.
Carter, F. E.	1885	Allegan	K.
Catton, George R.	1912	Benzonia	G. T.
Chapin, Franklin M.	1880	Ann Arbor	G. T.
Chevis, Ernest C.	1890	Middleville	G. R.
Childs, Wm.	1891	Kalkaska	C.
Clafin, John	1886	Eaton Rapids	L.
Coate, Henry	1874	Hudson	So.
Cochlin, Demas	1890	Traverse City	G. T.
Cole, G. Henry	1910	Chicago, Ill.	C.
Colledge, Wm. A.	1885	Coldwater	N. C.
Collin, Henry P.	1869	Imlay City	So.
Collins, Edrie	1909	Lansing	L.
Coman, George Henry	1910	Port Huron	S.
Cooke, Thomas	1912	Lansing	E.
Corbett, Fred W.	1892	Bellaire	C.
Corey, Ephriam M.	1872	Traverse City	G. T.
Coulter, Cyrenius N.	1867	Howard City	So.
Courter, John E.	1883	Grand Rapids	G. R.
Cripps, Phillip M.	1878	Ransom	So.
Crites, I. E.		Grass Lake	J.
Cutler, Walter A.	1895		

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Dalzell, Robert	1912	Vermontville	L.
Daniels, Joseph L.	1876	Tyrone, N. C.	L.
Davies, James	1876	Mulliken	N. C.
Davis, Frank	1907	Otsego	K.
Dawe, Percy V.	1912	Union City	J.
Denny, Walter B.	1910	Platteville, Wis.	K.
De Puy, Wellington	1884	Grand Ledge	L.
Dickinson, Walter B.		New York	K.
Diefenbach, A. C.	1902	Benton Harbor	K.
Dole, Charles J.	1890	Chelsea	J.
Donat, Anthony S.	1908	Hood River, Ore.	N. C.
Donovan, John L.	1905	Jerome, Arizona	C.
D'Ooge, Martin L.	1878	Ann Arbor	J.
Duff, Ralph J.	1873	Armada	E.
Endy, George P.	1902	Almont	E.
Eppens, Edward H.	1898	Memphis	E.
Erskine, John W.	1900	Evart	S.
Etheridge, Wm.	1897	Rosecommon	S. S. M.
Evans, Ernest	1895	Flint	Gen.
Ewell, Edwin	1888	Ypsilanti, R. D. No. 4	So.
Fairbanks, Arthur	1892	Boston, Mass.	J.
Ferris, Ralph Hall	1906	Romeo	E.
Finstner, Clarence	1878	Rockford	G. R.
Foote, J. E.	1897	Grand Ledge	L.
Forbush, Wm, Byron	1892	Philadelphia, Pa.	D.
Foster, Frank H.	1877	Olivet	L.
Frost, Lewis C.	1895	Metamora	D.
Fryer, James F.	1899	Grandville	G. R.
Fulkerson, Frank	1902	Grand Rapids	G. R.
Fuller, W. H.		Coloma	K.
Gadd, Wm. W.	1888	Athens	K.
Gibson, John C.	1898	Detroit	D.
Gillespie, John S.		Charleston, W. Va.	So.
Glasson, Joseph	1873	Ypsilanti	C.
Goldsmith, Robert	1909	Brooklyn, N. Y.	L.
Goodrich, Darius N.	1865	Olivet	L.
Gordon, Robert	1887	Moline	G. R.
Grant, M. Lee	1901	Detroit	D.
Gray, Eugene F.	1911	Breckenridge	S.
Grieshaber, Charles O.	1897	Grand Rapids	G. R.
Griggs, R. Eugene	1891	Royal Oak	K.
Grinnell, Eugene I.	1871	Springfield, Neb.	L.
Hadden, Archibald	1880	Muskegon	M.
Hageman, James C.	1897	Detroit	D.
Hague, Leonard E.	1903	Grandville	G. R.
Hancock, George H.	1886	Hart	M.
Hanks, Carlos H.	1888	Owosso	Gen.
Hardy, Ray M.	1911	Lansing	L.
Harger, Charles H.	1893	Benzonia	G. T.
Harbridge, Edward H.	1884	Holly	Gen.
Harbridge, Clara L.	1893	Holly	Gen.
Harrison, Fred	1913	Covert	K.
Harvard, Edward H.	1872	Paw Paw	K.
Hatfield, George B.	1903	Cambridge, Mass.	L.
Hawley, Calvin F.	1854	Alpha, Ill.	Gl.
Heafield, H.	1913	Allendale	G. R.
Heator, George W.	1886	Cadillac	N. C.
Hill, A. Ellsworth	1912	Bay City	S.
Hinzman, Walter T.	1905	Tipton	So.
Holman, David A.	1891	Grand Rapids	G. R.
Houston, Robert	1891	Flat Rock	G. T.
Huguet, J. Percival	1900	Detroit	D.
Hunt, Henry W.	1884	Three Oaks	K.
Hurlburt, Fred S.		Bronson	So.
Husted, John T.	1868	Grand Rapids	G. R.
Hutchinson, W. A.	1892	Big Rapids	N. C.
Hutchinson, John F.	1893	Flat Rock	D.
Hyslop, James	1885	Hudson	So.
Imrie, Andrew B.	1906	Whitehall	M.

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Jacobs, Wm. J.	1896	Detroit	D.
Jones, Augustine	1908	South Haven	K.
Jones, Ira B.	1879	Toledo, Ohio	G. R.
Jones, C. W.	1894	Wyandotte	D.
Jones, Trevor C.	1893	Durand	Gen.
Jones, T. H.	1914	Alba	C.
Kelley, Samuel E.	1894	Allegan	K.
Kempton, A. Joseph	1901	Addison	So.
Kent, L. G.	1896	Kibbie	
King, Walter D.	1881	South Haven	G. R.
Kinney, George W.	1898	Atlanta	N. C.
Knowles, Matthew	1889	Salem	J.
Kozielek, Paul	1905	Detroit	D.
Lambrecht, John	1900	Dowagiac	E.
Lancaster, Ellsworth G.	1889	Olivet	L.
Lamphear, Nathaniel D.	1876	Olivet	L.
Lash, Abraham	1896	Saugatuck	G. R.
Lathan, Ernest R.	1892	Clinton	So.
Lewis, Jacob H.	1863	Freeland	S.
Lillie, Isaac B.	1886	Buckley	G. R.
Linkletter, Elihu	1876	Benzonia	G. T.
Long, Clarence W.	1902	Saranac	K.
Long, Luther K.	1883	Calumet	L. S.
Lowther, C. C.	1911	Detroit	D.
Lyford, George D.	1912	Clare	G. T.
McComas, Henry C.	1900	Cambridge, Mass.	N. C.
McConnell, Herbert	1898	Grand Rapids	G. R.
McCallum, Archie	1911	Detroit	D.
McLeod, John M.	1911	Grand Rapids	K.
McRoberts, Thomas R.	1891	Port Huron	E.
McNair, David C.	1879	Wayne	D.
Massey, Wm. J.	1896	Big Rapids	L.
Millar, Wm.	1892	Grand Rapids	K.
Miller, C. Perry	1884	Montrose	L.
Miller, C. I.	1882	Eastport	C.
Millington, E. J.	1908	Cadillac	N. C.
Mills, Harlow S.	1877	Benzonia	G. T.
Mitchell, Wm.	1910	Williamston	K.
Mitchell, Wm.	1857	Detroit	D.
Morehouse, Ezra S.	1894	Kalamazoo	K.
Morris, O. Lloyd	1894	Ypsilanti	J.
Morris, Samuel T.	1890	Grand Rapids	G. R.
Mullen, Matthew	1900	St. Johns	Gen.
Myers, Noah J.	1886	Chicago, Ill.	N. C.
Northrop, George E.	1866	Bay City	S.
Oberlin, C. D.	1913	Litchfield	So.
Ogg, Wm. D.	1899		G. R.
Ollis, F. W.	1906	Grand Haven	M.
Omans, Chester C.	1891	Grand Rapids, R. D. No. 14	G. R.
Ostrander, Lincoln	1897	Pinckney	J.
Otis, James A.	1899	Grand Junction	K.
Otis, Norman L.	1869	Fenwick	L.
Parker, Thomas		Grandville	G. R.
Parker, Wm.	1912	Freeport	G. R.
Parsons, St. Clare	1908	Greenville	L.
Paul, Ralph W.	1912	Romeo	M.
Pierce, Nathan W.	1869	Linden	Gen.
Pillsbury, F. C.		Detroit	D.
Pinch, Fred	1909	Conklin	G. R.
Pomeroy, Albert E.	1898	Mayville	S.
Powley, Malcom G.	1897	Perry	Gen.
Prestidge, W. J.	1902	Lake Odessa	L.
Preston, Jared R.	1865	North Adams	So.
Preston, Wm. F.	1887	Jackson	L.
Putnam, Holden A.	1886	Ludington	N. C.
Rich, Ulysses G.	1889	Hancock	K.
Richie, David H.	1889	Shelby	M.
Robbins, Benson C.	1885	Freesoil	G. T.

Robinson, Clarence E.	1906	Chicago, Ill.	L.
Robinson, James C.	1878	Detroit	D.
Rowland, Levi P.	1896	Grand Rapids	G. R.
St. John, W. I.	1910	Royal Oak	D.
Sanderson, John P.	1876	Chicago, Ill.	L.
Sargent, Wm. H.	1899	Honor	E.
Sass, Frederick W.	1909	Lansing	M.
Schermerhorn, Peter	1884	Pontiac	L.
Scouten, Martin F.	1886	Toledo, Ohio	Gen.
Seaver, Charles H.	1877	Monrovia, Cal.	G. R.
Shannon, Wm. H.	1881	Bancroft	Gen.
Sheldon, Frank M.	1901	Ann Arbor	J.
Sherwood, John W.	1899	Grand Rapids	G. R.
Sipes, E. Jasper.	1912	North Adams	So.
Skeele, Arthur F.	1892		L.
Skentelbury, Wm. H., Sr.	1875	Dundee	K.
Skidmore, Nathaniel	1913	Wolverine	S. S. M.
Sloan, Tilden J.	1905	Saginaw	S.
Smith, A. F.	1883	Freeland	S.
Smits, Bastian	1884	Jackson	J.
Snelgrove, Andrew H.	1881	Ann Arbor	L.
Snyder, Henry C.	1888	Lawrence	K.
Soule, Archie F.	1896	Lansing	L.
Speer, Gordon C.	1910	Shelby	M.
Sprague, Frederick P.	1896	East Leroy	L.
Staley, John J.	1894	Manistee	G. T.
Stapleton, Robert	1877	Saginaw	S.
Steensma, Wm. S.	1910	East Lansing	L.
Stevens, Wilmot E.	1900	Constantine	K.
Stevenson, W. D. J.	1885	Merrill	S.
Stoneman, Albert H.	1900	St. Joseph	K.
Strang, Clement J.	1901	Johannesburg	C.
Strickland, George D.	1889	Drummond	S. S. M.
Stuart, Irving W.	1904	Alpena	S.
Sturgis, A. H.	1889	Cannonsburg	G. R.
Sutherland, John W.	1876	Lansing	D.
Sweet, Milo J.	1900	Pontiac	D.
Swing, Albert T.	1878	Oberlin, Ohio	D.
Taggart, C. E.	1886	Charlevoix	C.
Taylor, Charles I.	1886	Wayne	D.
Terbough, Isaac	1894	Brant, Alberta	K.
Todd, Wm. M.	1890	St. Clair	E.
Truman, Daniel	1887	Newaygo	M.
Turner, James M.	1911	Oxford	D.
Turner, Jonathan	1895	Cadillac	C.
Upham, Clement	1906	Detroit	N. C.
Van Auken, Abraham	1879	Vanderbilt	C.
Van Buskirk, M. Guy		Somerset	So.
Vaughan, Stephen	1895	Frankfort	G. T.
Walker, Wm. H.	1894	South Haven	K.
Wall, Arthur A.	1883		J.
Wallace, Mac H.	1888	Detroit	D.
Warren, Le Roy	1862	Old Mission	G. T.
Wiedenhoeft, Wm.	1889	Stanton	L.
Williamson, James S.	1890	Lansing	L.
Wilson, Henry	1877	Covert	K.
Wisse, Iman W.	1905	Grand Rapids	G. R.
Woolley, Edwin	1912	Saranac	L.
Wooley, H. J. L.	1912	Vanderbilt	C.
Woodmansee, Frank M.	1899	Custer	N. C.
York, F. E.	1870	Grand Rapids	G. R.

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Memoranda of the Annual Meetings

Year	Place	Moderator	Scribe	Preacher
1842	Jackson,	Rev. M. Harrison,	Rev. H. S. Hamilton,	Rev. H. S. Hamilton.
1843	Grass Lake,	" O. C. Thompson,	" Luther Shaw,	" Joseph Barris.
1844	Marshall,	" S. Cochrane,	" Harvey Hyde,	" O. C. Thompson.
1845	Detroit,	" Harvey Hyde,	" H. L. Hammond,	Sylvester Cochrane.
1846	Dexter,	" H. L. Hammond,	" G. L. Foster,	Harvey Hyde.
1847	Jackson,	" G. L. Foster,	" C. Lockwood,	H. L. Hammond.
1848	Ann Arbor,	" L. Smith Hobart,	" Harvey Hyde,	G. L. Foster.
1849	Dexter,	" C. Lockwood,	" H. D. Kitchell,	A. S. Kedzie.
1850	Kalamazoo,	" H. D. Kitchell,	" D. M. Bardwell,	O. Lockwood.
1851	Clinton,	" A. S. Kedzie,	" E. M. Bartlett,	H. D. Kitchell.
1852	Jackson,	" P. R. Hurd,	" L. Smith Hobart,	A. S. Kedzie.
1853	Ann Arbor,	" J. H. Benton,	" H. L. Hammond,	P. R. Hurd.
1854	Detroit,	" J. D. Pierce,	" G. M. Tuthill,	Leonard Bacon.
1855	Kalamazoo,	" Thomas Jones,	" Hiram Elmer,	John D. Pierce.
1856	Jackson,	" Hiram Elmer,	" P. R. Hurd,	Thomas Jones.
1857	Owosso,	" Edward Taylor,	Dea. Dexter Mussey,	Hiram Elmer.
1858	Adrian,	" Joseph Anderson,	Mr. Henry S. Clubb,	E. Taylor.
1859	Detroit,	" Asa Mahan,	Rev. P. R. Hurd,	J. Anderson.
1860	Port Huron,	" S. S. N. Greeley,	" P. R. Hurd,	Asa Mahan.
1861	Ann Arbor,	" H. A. Reed,	" Hiram Elmer,	S. S. N. Greeley.
1862	Grand Rapids,	" G. M. Tuthill,	" Henry Bates,	H. A. Read.
1863	Union City,	" John Patchin,	" Samuel Sessions,	Geo. M. Tuthill.
1864	Detroit,	" James S. Hoyt,	" L. F. Waldo,	John Patchin.
1865	Battle Creek,	" S. W. Streeter,	" L. F. Waldo,	J. S. Hoyt.
1866	Jackson,	" Henry Bates,	" W. B. Williams,	S. W. Streeter.
1867	Kalamazoo,	" Wm. P. Russell,	" W. B. Williams,	Henry Bates.
1868	Port Huron,	" N. J. Morrison,	" Elizur Andrus,	W. P. Russell.
1869	East Saginaw,	" Oliver S. Dean,	" F. P. Woodbury,	N. J. Morrison.
1870	Grand Rapids,	" J. G. W. Cowles,	" Orange H. Spoor,	O. S. Dean.
1871	Romeo,	" William Platt,	" Warren F. Day,	J. W. Hough.
1872	Hudson,	" Jesse W. Hough,	" E. G. Chaddock,	H. L. Hubbell.
1873	Lansing,	" Orange H. Spoor,	" J. Wing Allen,	W. D. Love.
1874	Adrian,	" Henry L. Hubbell,	" B. D. Conkling,	J. S. Hoyt.
1875	Kalamazoo,	" W. D. Love,	" J. Homer Parker,	J. Morgan Smith.
1876	Pontiac,	" Warren F. Day,	" James L. Patton,	J. L. Patton.
1877	Ann Arbor,	Hon. J. Webster Childs,	Hon. G. K. Newcomb,	Zachary Eddy.
1878	East Saginaw,	Rev. J. Morgan Smith,	Rev. O. O. Brown,	H. Q. Butterfield.
1879	Grand Rapids,	" A. Hastings Ross,	" Lucius O. Lee,	W. H. Ryder.
1880	Detroit,	" Miner W. Fairfield,	Dea. E. F. Grabill,	Leroy Warren.
1881	Charlotte,	Hon. Wm. Chamberlain,	" Amos Dresser, Jr.,	W. F. Day.
1882	Greenville,	Rev. Moses Smith,	Rev. J. P. Sanderson,	J. W. Hough.
1883	Manistee,	" Wolcott B. Williams,	" W. S. Bugbey,	T. P. Prudden.
1884	Port Huron,	" James L. Patton,	" G. H. Grannis,	Franklin Noble.
1885	Jackson,	" H. Q. Butterfield,	" O. B. Waters,	Martin L. D'Ooge.
1886	Flint,	" E. B. Fairfield,	Dea. Geo. M. Lane,	J. F. Loba.
1887	Lansing,	Hon. Byron M. Cutcheon,	Rev. D. P. Breed,	R. M. Higgins.
1888	St. Joseph,	Rev. Wm. A. Waterman,	" William C. Allen,	W. S. Bugbey.
1889	East Saginaw,	" William H. Davis,	" J. Monroe Lyon,	D. M. Fisk.
1890	Muskegon,	" Isaac W. McKeever,	" Elisha W. Miller,	A. R. Merriam.
1891	Ann Arbor,	" Franklin Noble,	" Henry Marsh,	M. M. Martin.
1892	Jackson,	" Charles H. Beale,	" Silas L. Smith,	Wm. H. Davis.
1893	Owosso,	" E. L. Wright,	" Orange C. Bailey,	Geo. R. Wallace.
1894	Kalamazoo,	Dr. James Gallup,	" Edwin S. Shaw,	J. W. Bradshaw.
1895	Olivet,	Rev. John W. Bradshaw,	" John Allworth,	W. O. Allen.
1896	Greenville,	" Dan. F. Bradley,	" B. F. Aldrich,	C. H. Taintor.
1897	Saginaw,	" Heman F. DeForest,	" F. W. Griffiths,	Washington Gladden.
1898	Grand Rapids,	" Archibald Hadden,	" E. B. Allen,	A. M. Brodie.
1899	Alpena,	" Moses M. Martin,	" T. H. Warner,	W. G. Sperry.
1900	Ypsilanti,	" Bastian Smits,	" Carl S. Jones,	Dan F. Bradley.
1901	Charlotte,	Hon. William H. Strong,	" Geo. Benford,	Nehemiah Boynton.
1902	St. Johns,	Rev. Frederick W. Bush,	" William C. Allen,	R. W. McLaughlin.
1903	Cadillac,	" Demas Cochlin,	" W. E. Stevens,	H. P. DeForest.
1904	Detroit,	Hon. C. A. Gower,	" Wm. H. Walker,	N. S. Bradley.
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1906	Flint,	" Willliam J. Cady,	" A. H. Stoneman,	Benjamin H. Burtt.
1907	Hancock,	" William H. Warren,	" Frank Blomfield,	G. G. Atkins.
1908	Lansing,	" J. Sidney Gould,	" Henry W. Hunt,	O. H. Beale.
1909	Muskegon,	" J. Sidney Gould,	" Wm. Wiedenhoeft,	T. R. McRoberts.
1910	Ludington,	" Mac H. Wallace,	" Wm. C. Allen,	W. H. Walker.
1911	Port Huron,	" B. H. Burtt.	" M. J. Sweet,	Frank Hugh Foster.
1912	Alpena,	Mr. F. E. Bogart,	" W. S. Steensma,	J. S. Williamson.
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